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VISITS AN INSANE ASYLUM

The North Texas Hospital for the Insane a Large Institution

COLLIN COUNTY PATIENTS

Fifty Inmates Now There are From Collin County. Noble Work of the State. Officials

Recently the writer visited the North Texas Insane Asylum at Terrell.

For the year ending August 31, 1902 there were 1680 patients treated at this institution. On August 31, 1902 there remained 1377 patients.

The population of the asylum including patients and employes is over 1500 constantly.

Thus it will be observed that it contains enough human beings to constitute a small city.

The order and system maintained at this institution is commendable. Every department of the huge building and its annexes is clean, inviting and comfortable

The features as the writer viewed them, are the big cooking department with its latest improved methods, the laundry department, the dynamo and heating apparatus the ice plant and cold storage vaults, all of which belong to the state and are operated in behalf of the asylum population on an able economical basis.

The new fire escapes are wonderful in their simple operation They resemble large water standpipes by the building's side. An opening in this sheet iron frame is on each floor for escape. An individual enters this opening and slides rapidly down a windiog incline to the ground below without the slightest chance of being injured. It is claimed that the fire escapes will empty the building of its 1500 souls in five minutes thus the danger of fire is placed at a minimum.

We notice from the statistics of the institution that Collin county sent during the year ending August 31, 1902, 9 male and 12 female patients, a total of 21. This is the largest number from any one county except Grayson which sent 21. The total number of patients received since opening of the asylum in 1885 is 5329. There are now remaining in the asylum 50 patients from Collin county.

The officers of the asylum are:

Jno. S. Turner, M. D., Supt.

J. R. Nichols, M. D., 1st. Assistant Physician.

S. W. McJunkins, M. D., 2nd. Assistant Physician.

Geo. F. Powell, M. D., 3rd. Assistant Physician.

Scott Appleby, M. D., 4th. Assistant Physician.

R. C. Goodman, storekeeper.

Mrs. Hattie Russell, Matron.

E. Cunningham, Druggist.

H. N. Borksdale, Male Supervisor.

Miss Mollie E. Jameson, Female Supervisor.

The service rendered by these officials as reported by the board managers is of the best, and certainly a stranger is impressed likewise on visiting the institution.

It is a strange sad sight to look upon the army of inmates of this asylum. Human wrecks! Hulks like the helpless dismantled hulks of the ocean? Dashed hither and thither by relentless waves weaving in and out of the fog. Out across the mysterious deep a piteous appeal goes for help only to be answered by a stronger gale —overcome by wind and breakers the frail bark sinks and the waters of time roll on as before leaving no trace. It is the noblest work of the state to provide for these unfortunate ones.

John Bell Watson, now of Bates was in the city. He manifested a continued interest in old Collin county news by calling to renew for The Democrat.

FOR DISABLED VETERANS

Throckmorton Camp Sends An Appeal to Austin

MEN OF DEATHLESS RENOWN

A Modern Home On A Farm is Suggested for Soldiers to Enjoy Luxuries of Rural Life

As per action of Throckmorton Camp of United Confederate Veterans the following appeal has been sent to Austin by Commander E. W. Kirkpatrick:

McKinney, Tex, Jan. 13, '03

To the Honorables Nelse Grisham and Dudd Cottrell, Austin Texas.

Gentlemen:—The Throckmorton Camp of United Confederate Veterans No. 109 at McKinney, Texas, on Jan. 11, 1903, by unanimous vote requested me to express to you their sincere desire that you urge the Texas Legislature to make suitable and needed provision for the increasing number of disabled veterans in Texas.

Any permanent improvement made for these vailent men will remain as a monument to our regard for them and can be used for the care of other worthy citizens who may become helpless.

Yet a little while and these men whose valor was the wonder and admiration of all brave men, will be gone. It is our privilege to nurture and aid these men who are worthy of all honor.

We suggest that the overflow from the present home be domiciled in a commodious modern home on a farm where the inmates may be encouraged to be partly selfsustaining, and enjoy the incomparable luxuries of farm life.

We feel sure that the people of this opulent State will respond to the mute appeals coming from these helpless men of deathless renown.

E. W. KIRKPATRICK.
Commander.

TEXAS ALFALFA FARMER AND HIS RANCH

Did you ever stand in the midst of 600 acres of knee-high alfalfa? If not, your agricultural tastes have yet to sense the pure delight of this sea of living green. This was the pleasant experience of a party that met at Sherman on October 24th, to visit the famous alfalfa meadows owned by Mr. R. E. Smith, of that place, and whose alfalfa talks at the Farmers' Congress during the past few sessions have been distinct features of the Cotton Growers' program on those occasions.

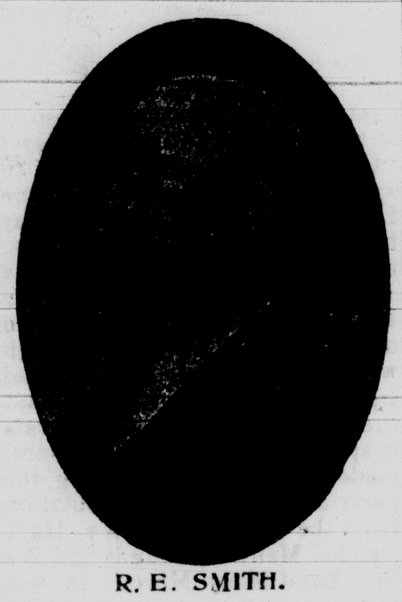
The visiting gentlemen were driven seven miles from Sherman to the alfalfa farm located upon a tract of some 1,500 acres. We were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Smith, their daughter, Miss Rowena P., and Mr. Randolph, of Sherman. The other members of the party were Hon. Allison Mayfield, of the railroad commission, of Austin, once a resident of Sherman: Mr. C. H. Markham, Vice-President of the Sunset Central roads, Houston· Col F. P. Holland, President of Farm and Ranch, Dallas, and the writer. Mr. Smith had invited this party because of their deep interest in the success of the large experiment he has conducted with such conclusive results.

The first feature that strikes the attention of the visitors to this Grayson county alfalfa ranch are the flocks of Angora goats, bunches of well bred hogs, smooth red cattle, and contented horses that graze in comfort on alfalfa clover. Even the large Norman work horses that draw the giant eight-foot mowing machine, subsist entirely on alfalfa. I tried to get a snap shot of the shoats feeding in the fields upon the rich forage, but only the tops of their backs could be seen, and at camera distance they were simply out of sight. Many tanks of permanent water afford convenient supply for the 1,000 hogs, 80 Angoras, 100 horses, and 500 head of cattle kept on this "diversified farm."

The crop is sown on deeply plowed, well harrowed land, early in the fall, at the rate of 20 pounds of seed per acre and harrowed again.

We asked Mr. Smith if he would sow more alfalfa, to which he replied that he expected to seed 200 acres during the next season. He has planted and is now growing a patch of 30 acres freshly seeded this fall. Much of the land lying in the bottom was thickly set to Johnson grass when first seeded to alfalfa a few years since, but the alfalfa gets the start of the Johnson every spring and holds it throughout the season. Mr. Smith does not hesitate to pasture his alfalfa whenever he desires, when once the crop is established. He prefers fall to spring seeding, but uses both.

Broad valleys and strongly marked hills are embraced in this 600 acre tract. Only on the highest point of thin soil was there any sign of blight or "alkali" Here the land had been in cultivation for some twelve years and had doubtless washed to some extent before the alfalfa was seeded. The general growth was, however, good even on such land. Mr. Smith will spread some manure here before another season comes. The growth grows stronger with age and to keep the plants in a healthy state Mr. Smith runs a disc harrow over the crop just after each cutting, cultivating to a depth of two inches to insure proper aeration of the upper roots.



R. E. SMITH.

The yield is something over a ton per acre each cutting. The fourth cutting was in progress while we were on the land. It was a rich haying scene in every respect. Think of four tons of hay per acre that sells for $12 to $15 per ton on board cars. No irrigation used. No seeding after the first year for many years there after. A feed supply that feeds all farm stock. The soil is a "sandy, black-waxy." This is shown in the stiff land that yields quite a little sand with which the drains and ditches are filled.

Finally our party stood on the highest point in the entire field, a place Mr. Smith proudly calls "Mount Nebo," from which one views not only a promised land, but a land of fruition, of fulfillment that charmed the eyes of those who watched a glorious North Texas sunset that made all nature smile.

We resolved to return another day and again enjoy this rare pastoral picture —Prof. J. H. Connell in Farm and Ranch.

Scene on Champion Alfalfa Ranch of R. E. Smith in Grayson County.

Grain Company Enlarging.

The firm of Kitching Bros., wholesale grain dealers have associated with them R. F. Dowell and will enlarge their business by opening up a retail department.

They have rented the Heard building now occupied by Cap. J. S. Dowell on East Virginia street, and will have an elegant office fitted up in the front end and use the rear for storage. They will move their wholesale office which is now over Joe Barnes' grocery store, into this building. Mr. Dowell will have exclusive charge of the retail department, in which they expect to carry a complete line of feed stuff and farm seeds.

Mr. Dowell is one of McKinney's best business men, and the strength of this firm which is already doing a fine business will be greatly increased by the new partnership. There will be no change in the firm name.

Rev. J. W. Hill

The Texas Christian Advocate has the following to say about Rev. J. W. Hill, who was at two different periods pastor of the McKinney Methodist church:

"We learn that on last Sunday Rev. J. W. Hill, of Denison, took a collection for his new parsonage enterprise, and in about twenty minutes secured $2100, and he has $500 more in sight. This will make the enterprise a certainty His people are placing a new pipe organ in the church, and Brother Hill is preaching to packed congregations."

Reads Without Glasses at 93.

Lee Talkington, of this city, has just received a photo from his aged cousin, Allen A. Talkington, of Orange, Cal.

Mr. Talkington lived for many years in the Walnut Grove community, this county, but moved to California about 1869. He is well remembered by the older citizens of that community.

Although Mr. Talkington is 93 years old, he is quite hale and hearty and is a great reader, retaining his eyesight so perfectly that he is able to read without the aid of spectacles.

His son, Simeon Talkington, who lives in Los Angeles, visited here this winter as was noted at the time in these columns.

Miss Mary Coleman has returned from a visit in Fort Worth.

ABOUT THE BOLL WEEVIL

Plant Early and Cultivate Continually

CLEAN LAND AND PLOW WELL

Valuable Suggestions Given to Avoid Ravages of the Pests. Rotation of Crops

Some of the best ways to protect cotton from destruction by these enemies.

Clean land and break thoroughly. Turning everything under is best—otherwise burn everything clean. Secure Northern grown seed of early varieties. Plant early and cultivate continually.

On bottom land, plant rows five feet wide and thin to three feet. On upland plant rows four feet wide and thin to two feet. Plow every ten or fifteen days until ready to pick.

Pressing or firming the seed in the soil is recommended. Harrow lightly as soon as the seed have sprouted. Don't fail to cultivate often.

Shallow cultivation is preferred except after heavy Spring rains, when deep plowing should follow.

These general rules apply to corn also.

No attention should be given to the Fall or top crop.

All stalks should be plowed under or destroyed about the last of October.

Cotton farms should be divided into two parts by a division fence. One part planted in cotton, the other part planted in other crops, such as corn, wheat, oats, sorghum, truck etc.

Next season cotton should be rotated or planted where the grain etc. grew before and the grain etc. should follow the cotton.

These rules are recommended. Exchanges will please copy.

E. W. KIRKPATRICK.

ELD. R. R. HAMLIN RESIGNS

As Pastor of the First Christian Church

ACCEPTED CALL TO FT. WORTH

Resignation To Take Effect On March 1st. A Surprise to His Congregation

"To the officers and members of the Christian church of McKinney:

Dear Brethren:—I hereby tender my resignation as pastor of the Christian church to take effect in sixty days from today.

R. R. HAMLIN,"

Is the form of the resignation of the pastor of the Christian church, read at the close of service Sunday night.

It came as a great surprise and with much regret to his congregation, as Eld. Hamlin is a very popular pastor. He has done splendid work during his two years stay in McKinney.

As will be seen from the following clipping from the Dallas News Eld. Hamlin has been called to the pastorate of the First Christian church at Fort Worth, and in conversation with a Courier reporter today he informed us that he had accepted the call:

"Fort Worth, Tex., Jan. 18.—The congregation of the First Christian Church today agreed to call Rev. R. R. Hamlin to the pastorate here, to succeed Rev. Chalmers McPherson, who resigned last Sunday after a pastorate of five years, to return to the Main Street Christian Church at Waxahachie, which church he left after a pastorate of fifteen years to accept the call here. The relations between the First Church here and Rev. McPherson, the latter said today, had been most pleasant, and nothing but the kindest feeling had existed during his pastorate. He says that the membership of the church has more than doubled during his stay, but says that he feels that it is best that he return to Waxahachie and resume his old charge. He suggested Rev. Hamlin as his successor, and his recommendation was acted on favorably. Rev. McPherson will not close his work here until the first of March, on which date he will go to Waxahachie.

The call to Rev. Hamlin has not yet been accepted, but it is understood that he will act in the matter, probably favorably, within the next few days. Rev. McPherson says that he is one of the strongest pastors in the church in the State, has been in Texas twelve years, and came to Texas from Tennessee.

Senator Bailey's Horses.

From a dispatch dated at Lexington, Ky., to the Chicago Inter Ocean we quote the following:

"The veteran reinsman, Charles Marvin, may change his plans regarding leaving the trotting business and going to Springfield, Ohio, and take charge of the string of Senator J. W. Bailey of Gainesville, Texas. Joe Rea trained for Senator Bailey last year and although a number of the horses did quite well, no money winners were brought out.

Rea has left Bailey going to G. and C. P. Cecil of Danville, who started him into business. Senator Bailey will not race another stable until his stock of produals are old enough to race. He bought the great sire at the closing out sale of the late Marcus Daly in 1900, and has a number of coming 2-year-olds at his farm. He has the old John C. Breckinridge farm adjoining the track and if Mr. Marvin takes charge of Mr. Bailey's horses he will occupy the residence there. Mr. Marvin will have but two or three horses of his own, having decided to sell out his stable and stud at the coming sales in New York."

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Make hay while the sun shines—work for the University.

We are to have a new, up-to-date telephone system in McKinney.

If it continues to rain, don your rubbers, raise your umbrella and work for the University.

Subscribe to the University fund at once and you will never regret it.

An exchange sustained quite a painful accident. It sprained its imagination.

Four million dollars have been appropriated by Congress for a union railroad station in Washington City.

Forty vessels have been chartered at Liverpool to bring 200,000 tons of coal to the United States.

Guessing contests are declared to be in the gambling list, hence in violation of law.

If in our life there were no clouds, no sorrow, could we really appreciate sunshine and happiness?

The new Governor of Nebraska, Gov. Mickey, has refused to give countenance to a ball at his inauguration.

"Strike while the iron is hot" is a good motto to keep in mind just now while the University question is up.

The chances are largely in favor of McKinney getting the University. On the final pull, let every man get to the ropes.

Have you raised your original subscription to the University fund? If not, why not? The investment is certainly a safe one.

Texas possesses nearly 170,000,000 acres of land of which but 15,000,000 acres are in cultivation yet the agricultural output last year aggregated $250,000,000.

Reed Smoot, a Mormon apostle is a newly elected Senator from Utah. It is said that there will be opposition to his admittance to the United States Senate.

Fifty carloads of coal have been shipped from Birmingham, Ala., to the mayors of Chicago and New York as a donation to the poor of those cities.

Editor Gonzales, of Columbus, S. C., who was shot by Lieutenant Governor James H. Tillman of that State last Tuesday died yesterday afternoon.

The English language is now to be systematically taught in the schools of Mexico. Everything is tending to a closer relation between the United States and Mexico.

Don't be a traitor to the birds. They are our friends in time of war against insects and are the musical innocent warblers in time of peace, adding much to the joy of the world.

In the schools in the Philippines established by the United States, there are now about 150,000 children enrolled, besides 10,000 adults who are anxious to learn the English language.

The time is brief. Don't wait for the committee to call on you. Hunt it up and subscribe if you have not already done so. If your subscription is in add to it if possible. We must have the big University.

An exchange says: The largest mule on earth, a three-year-old jennet, belong to Michael Murray of Hereford, Mo., will be exhibited at the World's Fair, St Louis. She is eighteen hands, or six feet, high at the shoulders and weighs 1,705 pounds.

Royse City has a corn club which furnishes the neighborhood with corn at actual cost. Monday morning there were six five-wagons waiting their turn at 8 o'clock in the morning when the cars were opened.

A GREAT MAN RETIRES

Hon. John H. Reagan came to Texas in 1839. He served the Republic of Texas as a surveyor of public lands, as a private soldier and as an officer in her army. He served Texas in her first legislature in 1846, as a district judge as a member of congress and as a delegate to the secession convention, and as a member to the provisional congress of the Confederate states. He served as postmaster general and at one time acting secretary of the treasury of the confederate states. He is now the only surviving member of the cabinet of either government during the war. He was captured with President Davis and Gov. Lubbock. After release he returned to his farm in Texas in 1865. He was a member of the state constitutional convention in 1875 and afterwards returned to congress and then to the United States Senate which last position he resigned in 1891 to become chairman of the Texas railroad commission, from which he retired yesterday at the age of 84. He has been in public life for over 60 years. He is truly the Grand Old Man of the South noted for his integrity and clean official and private life.

A true bill was returned yesterday morning against forty-five coal operators and retailers in Chicago, charging conspiracy to do an illegal act injurious to public trade. The indictments are against both corporations and individuals doing business in Illinois and Indiana. Bail was fixed at $1,500.

Chas. E. Kelley a member of the St. Louis city council was convicted of perjury yesterday in connection with the surburban railway franchise. He was sentenced to the penitentiary for two years. Two cases of bribery are still pending against him. This is one of several convictions recently for the same offense.

Dr. Claggett's Second Lecture.

J. M. McCoy of Dallas and P. R. Rhea of Forney, two of the locating committee for the Texas Presbyterian University, remained over Thursday night and were present at Dr. Clagett's second illustrated lecture. Dr. Breckenridge was compelled to return home that evening.

All three of the committeemen expressed themselves as being highly pleased with the different tracts of land offered as a site for the University.

They were very favorably impressed with McKinney, and surrounding countty, and the splendid reception given them.

Mr. McCoy and Mr. Rhea both delivered short addresses at the lecture at night, in which they stated that the activity and enthusiasm which McKinney had shown all along, was indicative that should the school be located here, it would undoubtedly receive the strong support of all her citizens, and that this feature would have a great deal of weight with the board of trustees in selecting a location.

From what was said McKinney has reasons to be encouraged, but she must continue to work with all her might.

Dr. Clagett's second illustrated lecture was even better than the first. The rain and mud did not prevent the people from going out. Although not as many were present as the night before, the opera house was pretty well filled.

The scenes thrown upon the canvass were all new, with one or two exceptions. Texas was shown in more glory than ever.

Miss Day delighted the audience again with her fine singing. Among her selections was "The Star Spangled Banner" and at the last "America," the audience joining in with great enthusiasm.

Every one went away feeling that they had enjoyed a rare educational treat.

Rev. Clagett, Miss Day, and Messrs McCoy and Rhea left on the 9:12 train Friday morning for Dallas.

A Scientific Discovery.

Kodol does for the stomach that which it is unable to do for itself, even when but slightly disordered or over-loaded. Kodol supplies the natural juices of digestion and does the work of the stomach, relaxing the nervous tension, while the inflamed muscles of that organ are allowed th est and heal. Kodol digests what ou eat and enables the stomac o and digestive organs to transform all food into rich, red blood. For sale by City Drug Store.

Oklahoma Blind Orator.

Guthrie, Ok., Jan. 18.—There is not a more interesting character in Oklahoma politics today than Judge T. P. Gore, "Oklahoma's Blind Orator," who is at present representing the counties of Caddo and Comanche in the Territorial Senate, in session here He has been blind since early boy hood, yet there is no man in the Territory more learned and of a higher intellect. Gore started into politics in Southern Mississippi when a boy, just emerging from his 'teens, and has been a participant ever since. He was originally a Populist, coming into his majority just at the time when the Populistic wave struck the country with full force. In the southern counties of that State, and in the country districts, as in many of the Southern and Western States, that party polled a heavy vote and in Gore's home county, the third party took like wildfire He is a born orator, and at 21, on the stump in that State, encountered the leading politicians of the State, Congressmen, United States Senators, and all others of note, challenging them for joint debates and meeting with enthusiastic receptions everywhere.

His first speech of this kind is described by one who was a resident of the same county (Webster) at that time. The relator says: "Gore was rather green, so to speak, in appearance at that time His trousers struck him half way between his ankles and his knees, and his coat sleeves were midway between his hands and his elbows He had lived the greater portion of his life in a county, through which until recently no road had traversed, yet he was brilliant even at this age. The Democratic speaker, who opposed Gore, made the first talk, glorifying the party and ending with a quotation from the old hymn, 'We Have Landed Many Thousands and We Will Land Many More.' It was Gore's turn next and he took advantage of this last sentence of the Democrat to catch his audience. In a singing voice, imitating the tune by which the hymn is sung and by which it was known by every person in the audience, he repeated, 'We Have Landed Many Thousands and We Will Land Many More.' 'Yes,' he said, 'but where have you landed them?' and then came the answer from the blind boy—'In hell.' The words caught the crowd and he was cheered enthusiastically. He launched forth into a speech, skinning his opponents, and holding every man in his audience until the last words were uttered. Henceforward there were calls for Gore all over the State and his popularity was a wonder. Gore still retains his powers as an orator and during the recent campaign was considered the most eloquent man on the Oklahoma stump. He was elected to the Territorial Senate by a big majority. He is a learned lawyer, knows Latin and Greek like his alphabet, never lacks for classics to use in his speeches, and always is interesting. He is talked of thus early in the game as a candidate for United States Senator when Oklahoma shall have been admitted to the Union.

Mr. Gore will be remembered as the "Blind Boy Orator" who took stock in Texas politics a few years ago as a populist. He made speeches in McKinney and throughout Collin county.

COURT DOINGS.

Sheriff Beverly went to Dallas Monady evening returning with Charlie Keeps, a negro who escaped from the county road force three years ago.

JUDGMENT FOR PLAINTIFF

In the case of Wm. Saine vs the M. K. & T. Railway Company suit for damages done stock on cattle guards, the jury returned verdict in favor of plaintiff for $130.

One Hundred Dollars a Box.

Is the value H. A. Tisdale, Summerton, S. C., places on DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. He says: "I had the piles for 20 years. I tried many doctors and medicines, but all failed except DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It cured me." It is a combination of the healing properties of Witch Hazel with antiseptics and emollients; relieves and permanently cures blind, bleeding, itching and protruding piles, sores, cuts, bruises, eczema, salt rheum and all skin diseases. For sale by City Drug Store.

Doggett & Clifton loan money on land and land notes. See them if you want to borrow money on either. d-w tf

Teachers Institute.

At its last meeting the Collin county Teachers' Institute adopted a resolution favoring two-days session, and the program committee was instructed by the chair to arrange the program accordingly.

The next meeting will be held at McKinney Friday and Saturday, Feb. 13th and 14th.

Following is the program:

FRIDAY.

1:30 p. m. Vocal music in school—Z. A. C. Harris and G. P. Gadberry.

2 p. m. The text book and how to use it.—F. D. Sheppard and G. L. Marshall.

2:45 p. m. Common fractions—C. T. Cobb and Miss Cassie Clark.

SATURDAY.

10 a. m. How to group the facts of history—J. W, Lackey and Miss Dora Nichols.

10:30 The teacher in the recitation—J. T. Johnson and Miss Alice Kirkpatrick.

11 The art of securing and holding attention—J. T. Vestal and Mrs J. W. Edmonds.

2:30 p. m. The true end of education—F. G. Jones and Miss Clay Haggard.

2. How to make Geography interesting—T. D. Simpson and S C. Stephens.

An appropriate entertainment will be given Friday night, one feature of which will be an address by some good speaker. It is earnestly desired that every teacher be present. A cordial invitation is also extended to all school trustees and friends of education.

J. H. Hill, Chairman.
Minnie L. Blankenship, Sec.

Epworth League Officers.

The Epworth League held its regular monthly business session in the Sunday school room of the Methodist church Monday night After a full report of the treasurer and other officers the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, W. M. Erwin.
1st Vice President, Jno. A. McDurmitt.
2nd Vice President, Joe Rogers
3rd Vice President Miss Maggie Furr.
Secretary, Cary Eller.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. L. Todd.
Collector, J. L. Todd.
Organist, Miss Bessie Hamilton

The League starts into the new year with new zeal, and with preparations for the approaching North Texas League Conference.

Workings of Poll Tax Law.

In regard to the workings of the poll-tax law, city tax assessor and collector A. C. Sanders, of Sherman, received the following:

Austin, Tex., Jan. 15.—A. C. Sanders, Sherman, Tex.: Dear Sir—Your letter of Jan. 13 has been duly received. In reference to your inquiry you are advised that it is the opinion of this department that in order to vote at an election held after the 1st of February, 1903, one must have paid his State and county poll tax, and also city poll taxes, if such city poll tax had been levied and is due and payable before the 1st of February. 1903. Yours truly,

D. E. Simmons,
Office Assistant to Attorney General.

Collin to the Front

J. B. and L. B. Pafford, brothers of our fellow-townsman, W. F. Pafford, arrived in Claude from Collin county Wednesday noon, and are here to stay. For a time it looked as though Hill county would have the largest representation in Armstrong but now Collin is again coming to the front. Come along, people; there is plenty of room, just as good land as can be found in the state, and a climate the world can't beat. We hope Collin will give us many installments of just such people.—Claude News.

Mrs. Adaline Stewart and daughter, Mrs. K. K. Kerr, who have been visiting their son and brother, Lem Stewart and family of this city, will left Wednesday for their home at Claude in Armstrong county. Grandma Stewart is the widow of Frank Stewart who was the first County Clerk of Collin county. Although she is advanced in years, Grandma enjoys very good health which will be good news to her many old time friends in this county.

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WERE MODELS OF BREVITY

Oath of Office Administered by Associate Justice F. A. Williams of Supreme Court

Austin, Tex., Jan. 20.—At high noon today in the presence of a brilliant assemblage numbering 5,000 people, Samuel W. T. Lanham was inaugurated as governor of Texas. The ceremonies, on the whole were very interesting. The addresses of retiring Gov. Sayers, of the incoming Governor, of retiring Lieut. Gov. Browning and the new Lieutenant Governor, George D. Neal, were models of brevity and to the point.

There were many distinguished personages in the audience, among them former Gov. Lubbock, who was inaugurated forty-two years ago, and former Gov. Hogg, who entered upon the duties of that position twelve years ago.

When the new Governor concluded by expressing the hope that when his term had ended the people would be able to say of him as they say of Gov. Sayers, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant." Tears glistened in the eyes of both, and in the eyes of many persons in the audience.

The joint session of the Senate and House was opened with prayer by Rev. Z. B. Lyles of Williamson county, who was a pupil of Gov. Lanham when the latter taught school.

The oath of office was administered by Associate Justice F. A. Williams of the Supreme Court.

Retiring Gov. Sayers, in introducing his successor, said:

It is with profound gratification to all that the record, personal and public, of the man who has been called to the chief magistracy of this great Commonwealth is such as to make certain that his administration will be wise, honest and efficient. In presenting him, my countrymen and countrywomen, I pray that heaven's richest benedictions may continually fall upon the State during his term of office; that there may not be storm, or drouth or pestilence; that entire peace may everywhere prevail, and that prosperity and happiness may abundantly abide in every home within our borders. Ladies and gentlemen, the Governor."

Farmers Institute Work.

E. W. Kirkpatrick returned home Saturday night after visiting Bremond, Kosse, Marlin and Bryan.

He aided in organizing farmers institutes at the three latter places Among those who led in the work was Prof. J. H. Connell, state president. Good meetings were had at all the places.

The interest at Bryan was manifested greatly. Many business men attended as well as the farmers, also the Allen Academy students attended and heard the discussions led by Prof Connell, Mr. Kirkpatrick and others.

A Democrat reporter had a talk with Mr. Kirkpatrick who says that institute work is progressing nicely. He finds the people everywhere hopeful of a big crop yield this year. They go on the theory that "it is a long lane that has no turn," hence the recent crop failures must be followed by a big crop. The present conditions are favorable for a good crop. Cold weather, weather sufficient to aid the soil and to kill insect life and an abundance of moisture are splendid indications.

He says the diversification idea is gaining rapidly. In fact it is almost universally practiced. The demand for fruit, vegetables berries, dairy and meat products is becoming so great that the one crop man has concluded that half a dozen chances is better than one chance in farming.

Mr. Kirkpatrick has calls to go to Weatherford, Luling, Liberty, Eagle Lake, Victoria and other points. He will probably leave this evening for Dallas to join Prof. Connell to visit several points in the interest of institute work.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

WAS A VERY BUSY SESSION

City Council Meeting Held Last Night

APPLICATION FOR FRANCHISE

For a New and Efficient Telephone System. Matter Referred to Committee

A good deal of business was transacted at the meeting of City Council Tuesday night.

W. H, Gribben, superintendent of the water works, reported that 2500 feet of the mains for water work extension had been laid.

A petition, signed by a number of citizens living on North Church street, was presented, asking the Council to extend the mains north from Josephine to Erwin street. The petition was referred to the water committee, composed of J. D. Bass, Jesse Shaun and T. T. Emerson.

The suit of John Taylor vs the City of McKinney and H. & T. C. railroad, asking for damages in the sum of $1000, was reported. In this suit, which was reported by the Courier when filed several weeks ago, the plaintiff alleges that sickness was caused in his family by improper sewerage near his residence.

County Attorney R. C. Merritt, representing James K. Duffy, presented an application asking for a franchise for a telephone system here. The ordinance was referred to a committee composed of Emerson and Parker. In the proposed ordinance, the applicant sets forth his plans for building and maintaining an efficient system of telephone communication and exchange in the city, and makes the city several liberal offers, among them they agree to furnish eight free phones. They also agree to, as far as possible, give preference to McKinney labor, both for expert and non expert work.

Mr. Duffy has just completed a system in Sherman and Denison, and is anxious to include McKinney in his route to Dallas.

Invitation Not Accepted.

The following letter is in answer to the recent invitation to the State Federation of Clubs to hold its district meeting in McKinney:

"Cleburne, Tex, Jan 20, '03.
Mrs. L. C. Clifton,
Pres. City Federation,
McKinney, Texas.

My Dear Mrs. Clifton:—Your letter to hand this morning. Thanks for your cordial invitation but a previous one has been accepted from Denton for the "North Central District" to convene in that town on the eighth of April. We rather expected an invitation, but as the days passed I conluded that McKinney did not find it convenient to entertain us and as the other invitation came first accepted it. Please remind the Clubs of your city that a vice president will be elected and a delegate to the General Federation which meets in St. Louis in the spring of 1904. Hoping to meet a large delegation from McKinney, I am sincerely

Your Co-worker,
(Mrs. J. D.) Julia P. Osborn."

Splendid Anniversary Services.

The twenty-second anniversary meeting of the Lucas Baptist church was held Sunday at 11 o'clock.

Rev. M. F. Wheeler, the county missionary, preached the sermon.

Some splendid talks were made One of the most interesting was on the lives and character of the thirteen charter members.

Many words of appreciation were spoken in regard to the work of the pastor, Rev. W. T. Newsome, who has served the church for five years. It has grown steadily under his leadership, and is in a prosperous spiritual condition.

The services of the day were very profitable, and will long be remembered by all who attended.

Livery Stable Moved

W. A. Kendall has moved his livery stable to the Dowlen brick, on East Virginia street, which he recently purchased and fitted up in first-class style. Phone 71 when you need the cab or a rig. tf

HAVE MOVED TO AMARILLO

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Love Left This Afternoon

ENTERS WHOLESALE BUSINESS

Mr. Love a Member of the Amarillo Produce & Commission Company

Among the charters filed at Austin we note the following:

"Amarillo Produce & Commission Company, of Amarillo: capital stock $20,000. Incorporated by E. W. White, R. G. Love, C. A. Houston, W. E. Kirk and L. F. Kirk."

Messrs. Love and Houston are of this city. Mr. Love and his family left this afternoon for Amarillo. He will enter at once on duty in his new business relations. He and his estimable family will be greatly missed in McKinney. Mrs. Love was raised here, and he has resided here for fourteen years, and has been one of our most successful business men. He is a splendid christian gentleman.

They have the best wishes of hundreds of friends, among them the Courier, who wish for them great success and happiness in their new home.

Mr. Houston will not move until next month.

MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP

Chicago Council Approves a Bill to Take Charge of City Railways

A LONG AND BITTER FIGHT

State Law Granting Certain Rights to the Municipalities. Jackson Bill Approved

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 20.—Municipal ownership of street railways was provided for in a bill approved by the City Council last night and recommended for passage by the Legislature. The measure, which is known as the Jackson bill, was approved by a vote of 51 to 56 after a long and bitter fight.

The Jackson bill gives every city in the State the right to own and operate street railways and to acquire by purchase or condemnation any existing lines. In any ordinance of street railways given to any person or company a clause must be inserted reserving the right to the city to purchase the plant. The City Council is given the power to license its own cars or lease its tracks to any company for a maximum period of twenty years.

R. R. TIME CARD.

NORTH BOUND H & T C.

No 9—4 04 a m	No 7—1:03 p m
No 5—9:46 a m	No 3—8:46 p m

SOUTH BOUND H & T C.

No 4—9:12 a m	No10—3:44p m.
No 8—1:03p m	No 6—6.48 p m

EAST LINE—M K & T.

Leave 8:30 a m | Arrives 5:15 p m

LOCAL

Arrives 11 a. m | Leaves 2:05 pm.

McKinney Market Report

Cotton Lint	6 00 to 8:30
Cotton in seed	2.00 to 2.6
Cotton seed	$16.00
Wheat	76c
Oats per bushel	45c
Corn per bushel	35 to 50c
Hay per ton	$10.
Bran per 100 lbs	1 05
Flour	$2.00 to 2.25
Meal per bu.,	65c
Eggs, per doz	20c
Cattle	$2.00 to 2.25
Hogs	$5.00 to 5.60
Mutton Sheep	2 50 to 3.00
Chickens	$2.00 to 2.25
Butter per pound	15 to 25c
Lard per pound	11½ to 15c
Bacon per pound	13 to 15c
Onions per lb.	1 to 1½

Aching in the small of the back is an indication of Bright's Disease. The proper course in such cases is to take a few doses of Prickly Ash Bitters. It is an effective kidney remedy and bowel regulator.

The Voice of Experience.

The bride's mother was visiting her, and together they sat in the sewing room. The bride was fixing the sleeve lining of her husband's overcoat.

"Well, I think that's a neat job," remarked the bride, as she finished her task.

The mother examined it and shook her head solemnly.

"You don't like it?" suggested the bride.

"It's too well done," was the reply.

"Too well done?"

"Yes; it's a tailor's job."

"But if I can do it as well as a tailor"—

"Why, then, of course, you'll have to keep on doing things of that sort. Oh, I know all about it. I tried it myself when I was first married, and later I had to ruin two coats before I could break your father of the habit of bringing everything to me. Just listen to the voice of experience, daughter, and make a bungling job of that, even if you have to tear it all out and do it over again. It's no trouble at all to discourage him now, but it will be a year or so later. It is of the utmost importance that a woman should begin married life right."—Chicago Post.

A Feminine Mystery.

Among the minor mysteries of life is the bewildering fact that, as a rule, the tall woman is of a melancholy disposition, while her smaller sister is of a bright, brisk and cheerful temperament. Science, so far as we know, has never addressed itself to the solution of this puzzle, and the amateur philosopher is therefore left to cudgel his brain and marvel. Why length of limb should make for solemnity and melancholy, says a writer on this subject, is hard to determine. Length of limb seems to suggest to the mind the need for a stateliness of deportment, which never troubles the consciousness of "the small and tubby." We are left to conclude that the feminine side of our nation, which is rapidly becoming famous for its extreme height, will some day become as serious and gloomy as Quakers, and then we shall take our pleasures more sadly than ever.—London Globe.

Second Nature.

The old schoolmaster was deeply affected. His scholars, noticing the dilapidated appearance of his chair, had presented him with a new one on his birthday.

"My dear boys," said the kindly old pedagogue, with tears in his eyes, "I can never hope to tell you how much you have made me feel by this token of your love for me. All I can do is to thank you for the sacrifices you have made of your little purses for the sake of my comfort. If you have found me severe at times, I trust you realize that it has always been for your own good. I hope to always have your full confidence, as you have ever had mine."

As the old schoolmaster prepared to sit down in his new chair he unconsciously ran his hand over the seat in search of bent pins.—New York Times.

Rousseau.

Rousseau was a type of the melancholic temperament, assuming sometimes the symptoms of a veritable pathetic insanity. He sought to realize his phantoms in the least susceptible circumstances. He saw everywhere enemies and conspirators, frequent in the first stages of insanity. Once, coming to his sailing vessel in England, he interpreted the unfavorable winds as a conspiracy against him, then mounted an elevation and began to harangue the people, although they did not understand a word he said. In addition to his fixed ideas and deliriant convictions Rousseau suffered from attacks of acute delirium, a sort of maniacal excitation. He died from apoplectic attack.

Browning's Goose.

In her reminiscences Henriette Cockran relates an amusing anecdote of Robert Browning. She relates that as she sat in the drawing room of her London house one afternoon she happened to look out of the back window. "And there," she says, "I saw Mr. Browning nursing a goose, absolutely carrying it in his arms. The poet came into the hall with the goose. I laughed, remarking that it was a queer kind of pet. 'It is so clever and affectionate,' answered Mr. Browning. 'It is not well, so I am looking after it. It follows me about just like a dog.'"

Reduced Assessments.

"Old Croesus is a mighty clever fellow."

"How is that?"

"Why, just before the assessor gets to him he always manages to have a lot of stuff printed to the effect that he has been giving several millions to charitable and educational institutions. That makes his assessment schedule look more plausible."—Chicago Post.

An Equine Curiosity.

The anatomical museum of the Military Veterinary institute of Vienna contains the skeleton of a horse which lived forty-five years. It belonged to a pensioned major who bought it in 1852 when it was five years old and used it in several campaigns. Until two years before its death it could still trot with a buggy.

Exposing Her Hand.

Little Brother (whose sister is playing cards with a gentleman)—Mr. Smiler, does Minnie play cards well?

Mr. Smiler—Yes; very well indeed.

Little Brother—Then you had better look out. Mamma said if she played her cards well she would catch you.

Simple Enough.

Borem—I want to interest you in a financial scheme this morn—

Merchant—Not this morning. I haven't time.

Borem—Why, it won't take you a minute. All you have got to do is to lend me a dollar.—Philadelphia Press.

"The" Hague.

Did you ever stop to ask yourself or your knowing friend the meaning of "The" in the place named The Hague? If you are looking for something that will knock the above mentioned knowing friend off his feet, just ask him the significance of the three letters quoted. When he fails to answer the question, tell him that the The as it occurs in the instance cited is simply the anglicized form of the Dutch word "S Gravenhaaz" or "S Gravenhaze," either of which in the Dutch language means "the count's hedge" or "the count's grove" or "woods."

Originally the location now occupied by the city of The Hague was the hunting grounds of the counts of Holland. About the year 1240 a palace was built in the grove. Presently a village sprang up around the palace—still it was called "The Count's Hedge" and finally and lastly a large city which in the Dutch language has its original signification; but which in modern parlance has been evoluted into "The Hague."

Our Bones Built Up In Arches.

The principle of the arch may be said to pervade the construction of the human skeleton. The late Professor Owen points this out very clearly, telling us that in man the skeleton is arranged in a series of segments, which follow and articulate with each other in the direction of the axis of the body from above downward.

This principle accounts for the strength and yet comparative lightness of the whole fabric. From the dome of the skull down to the graceful arch of the foot we may trace this succession of bony hoops or arches, which admirably protect the various parts of the nervous and vascular systems of the body. The skull is found to be but a continuation of the backbone, and each of its four segments, the occipital, parietal, frontal and nasal, consists of an upper neural and a lower hemal arch. Similar arched formations prevail throughout the structure of a human skeleton.

A Venice Industry.

Venice owes the accumulation of great wealth from a new industry to one of her natives named Joquin. It was in the year 1656 that he observed that the scales of a fish called the bleakfish possessed the property of giving a milky hue to water. After experimenting with it he discovered that when beads were dipped into it and then dried they assumed the appearance of pearls. This covering, however, was easily worn away, and successive experiments led to the manufacture of hollow glass beads, all blown separately, then polished in revolving cylinders and finally coated inside with the pearly liquid, the latter being protected with wax. This branch of industry is carried on in Venice to this day.

A Sad Awakening.

In one of Theodore Hook's stories the bridegroom, departing with his bride for their honeymoon, is disturbed by a continual tapping on the floor of the post chaise. It begins to bother him exceedingly. "What the deuce is that noise?" at last he mutters. "It is nothing, darling," answers the bride sweetly. "It is only my wooden leg." Only that and nothing more. She had got accustomed to it from long use, but the information put him out exceedingly and caused a coolness which was permanent.

True Happiness.

The best sort of happiness is rarely visible to the multitude. It lies hidden in odd corners and quiet places, and the eager world, which presumably is seeking it, hurries past and never recognizes it, but continues to mistake for it prosperity and riches, noise and laughter, even fame and mere cheap notoriety.—Henry Seton Merriman in "The Vultures."

A French Epitaph.

In a French churchyard is a monument having an epitaph of which the following is a translation: "Here lies Jean Pinto, the Spanish vocalist. When he reached heaven, he united his voice with the voices of the archangels. As soon as he heard him the Deity cried, 'Keep quiet, all you fellows, and let us hear alone the illustrious singer, Jean Pinto!'"

Just the Size.

The silver moon peeped up behind the hills of Lake Roland.

"What is the height of your ambition?" she asked, more to break the monotony than anything else.

"Oh, about 5 feet 2 inches," he replied, gazing into her dark eyes.

The cards are out.—New York Herald.

Well Pleased.

"I say, Bobby," whispered Fitzgorgeous, "was your sister pleased to learn that I had called upon her?"

"Yes, indeed she was," replied Bobby. "When mother told her that you had called while she was out, she said, 'Thank heaven!'"

Even Chance.

C.—Thought you were going to marry Miss K.?

G.—Going to awsk her tonight. My chawnces are about even.

C.—How so, deah boy?

G.—She must say either "yes" or "no."

Racing For His Fee.

Fogg—Where are you hurrying to at that rate, doctor?

Dr. Pulser—I'm called to visit a patient in the last stages. I'm afraid he will die before I can get to him.—Boston Transcript.

When a man feels particularly youthful, he shows it by going out and breaking into some boys' game.—Atchison Globe.

Men Who Do and Don't.

Men, after all, are, and always will be, of two kinds—the men who accomplish and the men who don't. The other day there was an important conference at the office of one of the biggest men in American finance. It began early in the morning, and at noon it was not concluded. Promptly at half past 12 the clerks went out to lunch. The financier apologized to one of his stenographers for keeping him ten minutes after the regular hour—indeed, if it had occurred often the stenographer would have indignantly sought another position. He did not, however, apologize to the other seven or eight millionaires who sat about his desk until well after 7 o'clock, with no thought of luncheon or dinner. These men were willing to make the sacrifice which success demands, says the Cosmopolitan. There is no dearth of openings for the man who will fit himself to accomplish. The fact is that the development of business has been more rapid than the development of men, and today there is a greater need of men of the right sort than ever, and every great business is looking for them.

Pumice Stone For Building.

Pumice stone is used for building purposes in the Canary islands, where it is difficult and expensive to procure stone of any other description. The loose cinder dug from the sides of the volcanic cones is also used for the manufacture of huge blocks of concrete for the harbor works at Las Palmas and Santa Cruz. Pumice stone was originally used for the dome of the mosque of St. Sophia on account of its lightness, but even this proved to be unsafe, and the building has been reconstructed.

In Ceylon the most useful building stone is "cabook," a species of pumice. Scientifically it is known at laterite and occurs in beds lying between basaltic and other lava flows, from the decomposition of which it has resulted. At the foot of Vesuvius there are large building quarries of basaltic lava, and at the same spot, as well as near Rome, a volcanic ash or pumice called "pozzolana" is wrought for the same purpose.

Too Clever For Exclusion.

Thomas B. Reed often related an incident which happened when he first sought to be admitted to the bar. Mr. Reed and a young southerner were before Judge Wallace of the state supreme court to be quizzed on their knowledge of the law. Turning first to the southerner the judge asked abruptly, "Is the civil rights bill constitutional?" "No, sir," replied the young man. Turning to Reed, the judge propounded the same question. "Yes, sir," replied Reed. Whereupon Judge Wallace looked gravely from one to the other before he spoke. "You are both admitted," he finally announced. "Two young men who can handle constitutional questions in an offhand manner like that can't be kept out of the bar."

The Case Stated.

"Did U. Miss. Me., Pa.," said the loving and convalescent wife, "when I was so ill? I had to have the M. D."

"More than tongue Kan. tell," replied the husband. "Not for the Ind. would I have it so again."

"La.!" said the wife. "I hope the woman did the Wash. all right. When I get out, I'm afraid I'll look like I came out of the Ark. And all that Mass. of stuff the doctor gave me! O. you must take me to Del.'s and let me have a feast Ala. carte."

And then he sadly thought that even in the sacredness of home there are Conn. games.—Baltimore American.

At the Matrimonial Office.

Agent—Now, please state what conditions you require on the part of the lady.

Suitor—A pleasant exterior, 20,000 marks dowry, domestic training and 6¼ size gloves.

Agent—May I ask why you fix upon the last named condition?

Suitor—Well, you see, a few years ago I won six pairs of ladies' gloves, 6¼ size, in an exhibition lottery, and you can't expect me to throw them away.—From the German.

Juvenile Theology.

Two little girls, aged respectively six and eight years, were discussing religious matters, relates the Christian Register. The older one said to her sister, "Which would you rather do, live or die and go to heaven?"

"Why," the young one said, "I would rather live." Whereupon the older one burst out with the emphatic question, "Sarah B., what does your religion amount to?"—Troy Times.

Well Behaved.

Mother—I don't like the looks of that boy I saw you playing with on the street. You must not play with bad little boys, you know.

Son—Oh, he ain't a bad little boy, mamma. He's a good little boy. He's been to the reform school two times, and they've let him out each time on account of good behavior.

A Sense of Certainty.

"Is you sho' he loves you?" asked Miss Miami Brown.

"Is I sho'!" rejoined the other pityingly. "Is I sho'! Didn't he refuse a invitation to a dog fight so's he could come a-courtin' las' Wednesday night?"—Washington Star.

Good Horse Sense.

Gummey—Skidmore has good horse sense.

Gargoyle—I suppose you mean he knows how to pick the winners at the races?

Gummey—No; I mean he never bets.

A conceited man admires his own mistakes because he makes them.—Chicago News.

Kamchatka has many volcanoes, the only ones in Russia that are still active.

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If you want sunshine brush the clouds away.

An educational center is necessarily a commercial center.

Victories against wrong are won by eternal vigilance.

The would-be train wrecker should be wrecked.

Don't forget the University Committee meeting tonight.

Go to church and Sunday school and be kind to your family tomorrow.

Fairfield will soon be blessed with artesian water from the city's water works.

The way to minimize your neighbor's faults is to place your own in comparison.

Every committeeman should be present tonight in answer to Chairman J. S. Heard's call.

The way to build up an ideal community is for every citizen to discourage evil in any form.

If trusts are not aided by tariff duties, why did the administration remove the duty on coal?

The old ox story reminds us every day that "it makes a difference."

In seeking companionship don't demand perfection, for fear you will travel life's pathway alone.

The Democrat learns from its country friends that there is a general feeling of confidence that this will be a magnificent crop year.

The Democrat is informed that McKinney captured the hearts of the committee of the Presbyterian University. Good! Hope we will capture their decision on Jan 27th.

It takes something more than a shower to dampen the ardor of McKinney citizens for a college. They gave the committee a nice reception yesterday, notwithstanding the rain.

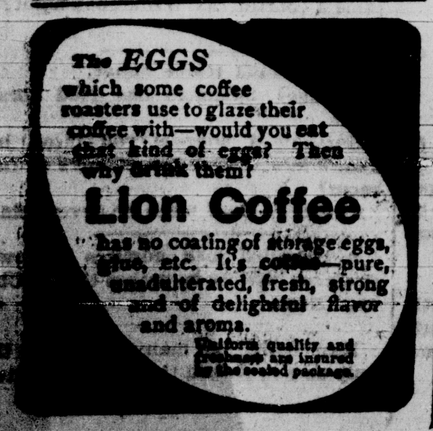
There is such a desperate demand for coal in Chicago that men, women and children fight for it. Riots result and police are called in to maintain peace. The situation is grave and calls for legislative action.

The duty on coal has been removed by a Republican House, Senate and President. Tariff reform seems to have made wonderful progress in the home of high protection.

If everyone in McKinney would preach the gospel of good cheer and measure their acts by the golden rule during 1903, health, wealth and happiness would be diffused among her citizenship.

The high price of coal imposed by the coal trusts is worrying the consumers of the North and East. That plank in the late democratic state platform of New York, demanding government ownership of the anthracite coal mines, would probably be in better favor if it were before the public now.

Did you catch the force of the statement made by Mrs. S. R. Harris in last week's issue telling how expert the field lark is as a boll weevil destroyer? Out of the craws of three larks killed in a cotton patch she took eighty-seven weevils, some of which were not dead. There is no law in Texas for the protection of this bird, the plover or the dove. All are insectiverous.—Ex.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which some coffee roasters use to glaze their coffee with—would you eat that kind of eggs? Then why drink them?
Lion Coffee
has no coating of storage eggs, glue, etc. It's coffee—pure, unadulterated, fresh, strong and of delightful flavor and aroma.
Uniform quality and cleanliness are insured by the sealed package.

An Ancient Foe

To health and happiness is Scrofula—as ugly as ever since time immemorial.

It causes bunches in the neck, disfigures the skin, inflames the mucous membrane, wastes the muscles, weakens the bones, reduces the power of resistance to disease and the capacity for recovery, and develops into consumption.

"A bunch appeared on the left side of my neck. It caused great pain, was lanced, and became a running sore. I went into a general decline. I was persuaded to try Hood's Sarsaparilla, and when I had taken six bottles my neck was healed, and I have never had any trouble of the kind since." MRS. K. T. SNYDER, Troy, Ohio.

Hood's Sarsaparilla and Pills

will rid you of it, radically and permanently, as they have rid thousands.

FOUR ECLIPSES IN 1903

There will be four eclipses in the year 1903, two of the sun and two of the moon, as follows:

1 An annular eclipse of the sun March 29th, visible as a small partial eclipse on the Pacific coast of North America near sunset.

2 A partial eclipse of the moon on the evening of April 11, and morning of the 12th, visible in Eastern United States at the rising of the moon, the moon rising with the eclipse on.

3 A total eclipse of the sun September 21, visible as a small partial eclipse on the eastern coast of South Africa; invisible here.

4 A partial eclipse of the moon Oct. 5 and 6. The eclipse begins at the setting of the moon on the Pacific coast of the United States and is therefore invisible in the United States, except in the Pacific possessions.

PATRONIZE HOME

We do not know of a single business firm in Wills Point that sends to other places for printing. The people of Van Zandt county believe in patronizing home industry, thereby putting money in circulation where it will do the most good—in the home community. —Wills Point Chronicle.

It is this wisdom on the part of the people of Van Zandt county in doing what they can to build up home institutions that makes the newspaper loyal to them and industrious for them. That community which encourages its news paper will generally have a good paper, ready to serve it in various ways.—Dallas News.

DON'T FAIL

With the beginning of the new year it would be well to amputate the tongue of Slander.—McKinney Democrat.

Yes, the tongue of Slander as well as the slanderer's tongue should be amputated like Billy Gimes amputated his pup's tail, smooth off just above the shoulders.—Sherman Courier.

What are we coming to? The recent New York state democratic platform contained a plank advocating the government ownership of the anthracite coal mines. Wednesday Judge Jenkins, a republican congressman from Wisconsin offered a resolution in Congress providing for the appointment of a committee to investigate and report it the United States had a right to take charge of these mines and if so to provide for their seizure under the public welfare clause of the constitution.

A gentleman in Missouri wishing some oats advertised in the county paper for them. By carelessness of the proofreader the advertisement read: "Any one having a surplus of cats will oblige Joel Stemm by taking him a two-bushel sack full." It was a slight mistake, a c instead of an o, but see what advertising will do. Mr. Stemm got twenty-three cats, twenty of which were Toms, instead of his two bushels of oats.

Carmine (Tex.) New Century —Here's to the kicker, the faint-hearted kicker, the kicker so helpless and blue, who always is crying and never is trying some good for his town to do. No use to correct him nor need we expect him to get to the front like a man, for while others rustle, he'll sit down and hustle objections to raise to each plan.

The McKinney Board of Trade wrought well during 1902. Its continuation this year is demanded by every vital interest of our own.—McKinney Courier.

Van Alstyne is preparing to fall into the business procession over the board of trade route.—Van Alstyne News.

WE ARE REMEMBERED

With a Souvenir of the El Paso Carnival

We are in receipt of a copy of the El Paso Herald containing a lengthy account of the second day of the Mid-Winter Carnival which has been in progress there since Jan. 12th. Also a souvenir book handsomely illustrated and official program of the Carnival.

For this interesting reading matter we are indebted to Dr. B. E. Throckmorton of this city who has been enjoying the sights of this big affair all week.

Don't Worry.

This is easier said than done, yet it may be of some help to consider the matter. If the cause is something over which you have no control it is obvious that worrying will not help the matter in the least. On the other hand, if within your control you have only to act. When you have a cold and fear an attack of pneumonia, buy a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and use it judiciously and all cause for worry as to the outcome will quickly disappear. There is no danger of pneumonia when it is used. For sale by City Drug Store.

Big Damage Suit Filed.

A suit has been filed in the District court by J. F. Schuttee of Honey Grove against the H. & T. C. railroad, asking for $50,000 damages for the killing of his son Eugene, which occurred at Plano Oct. 17th, 1901, while he was on his way from Dallas to McKinney Mr. Schuttee formerly lived in McKinney being in the employ of Largent Bros as jeweler. He asks for $40,000 actual damages, and $10,000 exemplary damages.

It has been the experience in recent advances in wages that the public, the consumer, must pay the freight. When the wages of railroad employes have been advanced the advance has been usually accompanied by an increase in freight rates, so that upon the whole the company has perhaps made money by the operation. Mr. Rockefeller gives a million dollars to a college and raises the price of oil so that he will get his million dollars back from the public many times over. The people would appreciate liberality by the corporations to their employes, whether in the form of profit-sharing or in the increase of wages, if the liberality was at the expense of the corporation and not extorted from the public.—Baltimore Sun.

Notice.

On Friday Jan. 30th, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon the contract committee of the Fitzhugh Cemetery Association will meet at Forest Grove for the purpose of employing a sexton for the present year. As the work will be let to the lowest responsible bidder, all who desire to bid on same should be present on above named date. Respt.,

CORA B. HUNTER,
Sec. and Treas.

W. A. Shelton, one of our Melissa readers, was in the city today.

Over-Work Weakens Your Kidneys.

Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood.

All the blood in your body passes through your kidneys once every three minutes.

The kidneys are your blood purifiers, they filter out the waste or impurities in the blood.

If they are sick or out of order, they fail to do their work.

Pains, aches and rheumatism come from excess of uric acid in the blood, due to neglected kidney trouble.

Kidney trouble causes quick or unsteady heart beats, and makes one feel as though they had heart trouble, because the heart is over-working in pumping thick, kidney-poisoned blood through veins and arteries.

It used to be considered that only urinary troubles were to be traced to the kidneys, but now modern science proves that nearly all constitutional diseases have their beginning in kidney trouble.

If you are sick you can make no mistake by first doctoring your kidneys. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's **Swamp-Root**, the great kidney remedy is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases and is sold on its merits by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail free, also pamphlet telling you how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. Mention this paper when writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

Home of Swamp-Root.

Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

Hair Splits

"I have used Ayer's Hair Vigor for thirty years. It is elegant for a hair dressing and for keeping the hair from splitting at the ends."—J. A. Gruenenfelder, Grantfork, Ill.

Hair-splitting splits friendships. If the hair-splitting is done on your own head, it loses friends for you, for every hair of your head is a friend.

Ayer's Hair Vigor in advance will prevent the splitting. If the splitting has begun, it will stop it.

$1.00 a bottle. All druggists.

If your druggist cannot supply you, send us one dollar and we will express you a bottle. Be sure and give the name of your nearest express office. Address, J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

Examination to be Held.

The United States Civil Service Commission announces that on February 18, 1903, an examination will be held for the positions of clerk and carrier in the Post-Office Service in this city.

This examination offers an excellent opportunity for entering the Federal service to bright, energetic young persons who are not afraid of hard work, and as previous examinations have failed to result in a sufficient number of eligibles, the Commission urges all persons who are qualified, and who may desire to enter the Post-Office Service, to apply for and take this examination. It may be stated that there is a wider field for advancement upon merit in the Federal service than in many private employments. While the salary in the Post-Office Service is usually about $400 per annum at the start, this amount compares favorably with the compensation of a beginner in private employment.

The nature of the examination is a test of practical, general intelligence and of adaptability in post-office work. The examination will consist of the subjects mentioned below, which will be weighted as follows:

SUBJECTS.	WEIGHTS.
1 Spelling	10
2 Arithmetic	20
3 Letter-writing	20
4 Penmanship	20
5 Copying from plain copy	10
6 United States geography	10
7 Reading addresses	10
Total	100

It will be noted that the weights of the examination have been changed since Form 117, "Instructions to Applicants," was issued.

Age limit, all positions, 18 to 45 years.

From the eligibles resulting from this examination it is expected that certification will be made to existing and future vacancies.

The names of all male eligibles will be entered on both the clerk and the carrier registers, and appointment from either register will remove the eligible's name from both registers.

All applicants, male and female must have the medical certificate in Form 101 executed. Male applicants must be at least 5 feet 4 inches in height, and weigh not less than 125 pounds.

All persons who have been examined for the position of clerk or carrier within the past year and failed to pass may be reexamined upon filing new applications in due time.

This examination is open to all citizens of the United States who comply with the requirements. Competitors will be rated without regard to any consideration other than the qualifications shown in their examination papers, and eligibles will be certified strictly in accordance with the civil service law and rules.

For application blank (Form 101), full instructions, specimen examination questions, and information relative to the duties and salaries of the different positions, and the location of the examination room, application should be made to the secretary of the board of examiners at the post-office.

No application will be accepted for this examination unless filed with the undersigned prior to the hour of closing business on February 10, 1903.

For further information and blanks call on,

JAS. P. THOMAS,
Secretary Postal Board.

James F. Barnett has moved from near Melissa to southwest McKinney. We welcome him to our city.

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Catalogue for the asking.

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10 Lovely Everblooming ROSES for 50c.

They are ready to grow and bloom at once. Our *La France* collection of Everblooming Roses, consisting of following varieties is intended for new customers.

La France, peach pink, of large size; *Pearl des Jardins*, finest bright yellow, rich, fragrant; *Bride*, pure white, large perfect flowers; *Francis Kruger*, coppery yellow; *Golden Gate*, creamy white, petals edged rose; *Bridesmaid*, clear delicate pink, exquisite shape; *Meteor*, velvety-crimson; *Mossella*, white, yellow center; *Sunset*, a rich blending of yellow and copper; *Clothilde Soupert*, pearly white with rose pink center.

We want everybody who grows flowers to try our plants this year, and that we may secure a trial order from you, we make this and the following offers:

WHAT YOU CAN BUY FOR 50 CENTS.

10 fragrant Carnation Pinks, 10 kinds, - - 50c	15 mammoth flowering Verbenas, 15 kinds, 50c
12 large flowering Chrysanthemums, 12 kinds, 50c	15 Giant Imperial Pansies, rich colors, - - 50c
12 Sunset-leaved Coleus, fine for beds, - - 50c	10 Basket and Vase Plants, vines and foliage, 50c
10 grand Geraniums, double and single - - 50c	8 choice Cannas, 8 varieties - - - - - 50c
12 choice Assorted Plants, for pots or bedding, 50c	15 Gladiolus, orchid flowering, - - - - - 50c
8 choice Begonias, flowering and ornamental, 50c	12 Tuberoses, Dwarf, Pearl and sweet-scented, 50c

Any 5 of the above Collections for $2.00 postpaid, or the entire 13 Sets for $4.00. Get your friends to club with you and get yours *FREE.*

Send for FREE CATALOGUE.

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Is the POPULAR CARRIER

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No Smoke, Dust or Cinder

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HOUSTON, TEXAS.

LOCAL NEWS.

Glass all sizes City Drug Store

Glass at City Drug Store.

City Drug Store for glass.

New styles in Stationery just received at City Drug Store.

Job lot Wall Papers, 100 rolls for $1.00 at City Drug Store.

Latest novelties in jewelry at City Drug Store.

Don't forget our Wall Paper sale is still on at City Drug Store

Fine Perfumes for the Holidays Elegant packages. See them at City Drug Store.

Pictures framed in latest style, over 100 styles mould to select from at City Drug Store.

Pictures, Pictures, Pictures, latest novelties in Pictures at City Drug Store.

J. J. Pool, well known over the county, died at Lavon Wednesday.

Lem Moore, who recently sold his shop at Sedalia this county, is visiting relatives near town.

Dr. S. M. Bobbitt, of Ennis, a scientist and healer, is preparing to open an office here.

Mrs. M. W. Webb has arrived from Corsicana for a visit to her son W. J. Webb.

Miss Maude Good of Plano arrived in the city Thursday on a visit to Miss Bessie Hamilton.

J. L. Pinion, of Nevada, remits for our weekly well up into the new year.

J. H. L. C. English, of Roseland, has been elected president of the Celina National Bank.

Complete line first class jewelry and watches direct from the factory just received at City Drug Store

Mrs. Jennie Wood returned Thursday from a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Joe Cline, in Melissa.

See the swell stationery, "Cretonne Bond," Sea Island Fibre Moire and many other new effects at City Drug Store.

Among our latest renewals is E. C. Tillett, of Donna, who also takes the Dallas News at our clubbing rate.

Miss Iona Kiersey, from McKinney, is the guest of her brother, Mike Kiersey.—Greenville Morning Herald.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Osburn have gone to housekeeping in the residence first door east of N. A. Bomar.

John T. Dugger, of Princeton, runs his subscription on The Democrat forward a year and also renews for the Dallas News.

Constipation leads to liver trouble, and torpid liver to Bright's Disease. Prickly Ash Bitters is a certain cure at any stage of the disorder.

Thanks to Uncle Mark Kindle, of Biggers, for renewal cash on his Democrat subscription. Uncle Mark is one of Collins oldest pioneers, and one of the county's most estimable citizens.

If your stomach is disordered, bowels irregular, and you don't feel well, you need Prickly Ash Bitters. It is very effective in removing this condition.

J. A. Crutcher, of Foote, gave us a pleasant call to renew for The Democrat. Mr. Crutcher marketed five herd of eight months old Poland China pigs, which averaged 180 pounds each and brought him $5.65 per hundred. Mr. Crutcher says that the day of razor backs and other scrub stock is passed. There is money in good stock.

TRY THIS TEST.

And see if your Kidneys are Diseased.

A very simple way to determine whether your kidneys or bladder are diseased is to put some of your urine in a glass tumbler and let it stand 24 hours; if it has a sediment or a cloudy, ropy or stringy appearance, if it is pale or discolored, you do not need a physician to tell you that you are in a dangerous condition. Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy speedily cures such serious symptoms as pain in back, inability to hold urine, a burning scalding pain in passing it. Frequent desire to urinate, especially at night, and the staining of linen by your urine.

The Rev. Aaron Coons, D.D., pastor of the M.E. Church of Rhinecliff, N.Y., says:

"I most sincerely believe that Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy is the best kidney, liver and blood medicine made, and urgently recommend it, for I know by experience it will do all that is claimed for it."

"Favorite Remedy" is a vegetable help to the stomach and bowels in performing their duties properly. It overcomes and permanently cures dyspepsia, indigestion biliousness and rheumatism. It is absolutely harmless and purely vegetable. It contains no narcotics or minerals in any form, no dangerous stimulants, no mercury or poisons, and is the only kidney medicine that does not constipate.

It is for sale by all druggists in the **New 50 Cent Size** and the regular $1.00 size bottles—less than a cent a dose.

Sample bottle—enough for trial, free by mail.

Dr. David Kennedy Corporation, Rondout, N. Y.

Dr. David Kennedy's Magic Eye Salve for all Diseases or Inflammations of the Eye. 25c.

F. W. Mack of Sulphur Springs, the hustling manager of the East Texas Land Company who has been here on business for several days returned home Thursday morning.

Misses Ethel and Verna Abernathy have arrived from Royse City for a visit to their uncles, Judge M. G., W. M. and G. E. Abernathy and aunt Mrs. W. T. Brooke.

Mrs. H. T. Chiles, of Caddo I. T., and Miss Lillian Chiles, of Sherman, returned to their respective homes Thursday after a visit to Miss Rosabelle Hynds here.

Prof. E. C. Forbes, of the Climax school, called Saturday to get some school report cards we printed for him. Prof. Forbes reports his school to be in a flourishing condition.

Our old friend, John Shuman, formerly of Biggers but now of Cisco, sends cash to renew his subscription to The Democrat and Dallas News. We hope some day to welcome him back to old Collin.

Charles A. Wilson of the firm of Wilson Bros. general merchants at Princeton, came over last Thursday to hear Bob Taylor lecture. He was accompanied by his sister, Miss Hattie. They returned home Saturday.

Our office was honored with a highly appreciated visit from Miss Hettye Stroup and sister-in-law, Mrs. A. C. Stroup, of Verona, who were in the city shopping and visiting Mrs. W. E. Rucker. The Democrat is always proud to have its lady friends visit it.

The firm of O'Neal & Co. has secured the services of B. F. Pior as assistant manager and buyer. He will be in charge of the dry goods and dress goods department. Mr. Pior was for several years manager of Knight's Dry Goods store here and has a large acquaintance.

A compromise of 35cts on the $1 has been effected with the creditors of the J. B. Hale bankrupt stock of hardware and groceries at Princeton. The trustee, John R. Brown, disposed of the stock, accounts etc. to Alma Wilson, W. T. Hooten, J. A. Mallow and Dr. R. L. Davis. The amount paid was $800.

WEDDING BELLS.

T. J. Pistole and Miss Maude L. Sturges were married at the H & T. C. station in Allen Friday at 11:30 o'clock, Rev. Abe Enloe officiating. They came on to McKinney, arriving here on the 1:03 train and were driven to the groom's home three miles east of here. The bride is a daughter of Ely Sturges, a prosperous farmer who lives near Allen.

Aching in the small of the back is an indication of Bright's Disease. The proper course in such cases is to take a few doses of Prickly Ash Bitters. It is an effective kidney remedy and bowel regulator.

No Clue Yet

State Detective Byrd, of the H. & T. C. railroad, arrived here last Thursday, and in company with Sheriff Beverly made a search for information leading to the discovery of the party or parties who attempted to wreck the south bound H. & T. C. passenger train a few days ago, but no clue could be found.

The peculiar cough which indicates croup, is usually well known to the mother of croupy children. No time should be lost in the treatment of it, and for this purpose no medicine has received more universal approval than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Do not waste valuable time in experimenting with untried remedies, no matter how highly they may be recommended, but give this medicine as directed and all symptoms of croup will quickly disappear. For sale by City Drug Store.

Marriage License

Sam E. Bateman and Miss Ethel Cunningham.

J. L. Petty and Miss Cora Martin.

J. T. Cook and Miss Mamie F. Abbott.

Cattrrh Cannot be Cured

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucuous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years, and is a regular prescription It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucuous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results curining catarrh. Send for testimonials free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
Sold by druggists price 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Collin Pioneer Dead

Rev. J. C. Bumpass, one of Collin county's pioneers, was buried at Farmersville Thursday. He was a Baptist minister and had lived in Farmersville over forty years.

Barber Trade Wanted.

Richardson & Lewis, tonsorial artists on the North side of the square, McKinney, cater to the country trade. Call and see them. They will treat you right. Shave 10c. Hair cuts and baths reasonable.

Elks Notice

The new Elk Lodge will be instituted here on Saturday night, Jan. 24th. The Dallas lodge will do the work.

Ferry's Seeds

are planted by farmer and gardener who has stopped experimenting. It pays to pay a little more for Ferry's and reap a *great deal more* at the harvest. All dealers. 1902 Seed Annual postpaid free to all applicants.

D. M. FERRY & CO., Detroit, Mich.

More About the University.

Without heralding his coming, Dr. W. H. Clagett quietly returned to McKinney Friday night, and remained until a late hour in conference with several of the soliciting committee for the presbyterian University.

Saturday a Democrat reporter called at the home of Capt. Greer where Dr. Clagett is being entertained, and had an interview with him. He informed us that after the committee returned to Dallas yesterday and held a conference, he decided to return to McKinney and make a more thorough examination of the different tracts of land that had been offered as a site for the University.

Owing to the rain which was falling when the committee was here Thursday, they failed to see one of the best tracts of land, which is located South of town.

In the afternoon Saturday the McKinney locating committee and Dr. Clagett mounted some of Collin county's fine horses and viewed the sites on horseback, so that Dr. Clagett could get a full view of the country.

Dr. Glagett informs us that McKinney completely captured the hearts of the locating committee.

The rain which was falling when they arrived here Thursday, seemed to us the worst thing that could have happened, but it may prove the best.

The fact that the school children and a large number of citizens braved the rain and were lined up at the station to greet them, made a deep impression on them.

They are thoroughly convinced that McKinney wants the University, and as stated in their addresses Thursday night and published in the Courier yesterday this will go a long way with them in locating the school.

McKinney and Collin county have wrought well thus far in their effort to secure this great prize, but there is much work to do yet, and using a school boy phrase, "we are now on the home stretch," and our best remains yet to be done. As yet the Democrat has not heard of a single person in McKinney or Collin county, but who is anxious for the University. We have not heard of an instance of selfishness or narrow mindedness.

People of every religious denomination are united in their efforts for the school. We all want it, in the first place for its true worth, as a first class institution of education, religiously, morally and every other way, for the children of our town and county. Then the financial gain would amount to more than any other enterprise that could be located here.

Many of our citizens have already contributed liberally toward the University fund, but who is it that would not double, treble or even quadruple his subscription rather than miss it?

Better increase your subscription now and leave no room for regrets afterwards. Instead of trying to see how little we can get the school for, let's see how much we can get up for it. If we secure it, $100,000 coming from McKinney will be a greater inducement to citizens of the State and other states, and the churches, to make their endowment funds larger than would $50,000

If the weather fairs up, Dr. Clagett hopes to be able to have the entire locating committee visit McKinney again this week, when they can under more favorabley conditions view the land offered.

Let the citizens of McKinney and Collin county turn themselves loose for work as they never did before.

We want the University, we can get it, and we must heave it.

Election of Officers.

The stockholders of the First National Bank of Frisco met on the 13th and elected the following: Directors, Ed Rodgers, J. H. Higginbotham, J. T. McDonald, N. Harding, H. W. Gee. Officers: Ed Rodgers, President; Wm. Allen, Vice President; H. W. Gee, Cashier.—Frisco Journal.

Marriage License

T. J. Pistole and Miss Maude L. Sturgess.

Willie Smith and Miss Lula Wilcoxson.

Elmer J. Southwood and Miss Cora Daffon.

R. G. Conard and Miss Mahala Ball.

Mrs. Johanna Soderholm, of Fergus Falls, Minn., fell and dislocated her shoulder. She had a surgeon get it back in place as soon as possiable, but it was quite sore and pained her very much. Her son mentioned that he had seen Chamberlain's Pain Balm advertised for sprains and soreness, and she asked him to buy her a bottle of it, which he did. It quickly relieved her and enabled her to sleep which she had not done for several days. The son was so much pleased with the relief it gave his mother that he has since recommended it to many others. For sale by City Drug Store.

A gentleman from Roseland, Collin county, by the name of Thompson was in Sherman today with a baby whose vision was badly impaired by a scissor point being stuck in one of the little one's eyes. The specialist called upon performed a delicate operation and assured the parent that the vision could be partially restored, although the wound was an ugly one.—Sherman Democrat.

A TEXAS WONDER,

Hall's Great Discovery for Kidney and Bladder Troubles.

One small bottle of Hall's great Discovery cures all kidney and bladder troubles removes gravel, cures diabites, seminal emissions, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women, regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of $1.00, One small bottle is two months' treatment, and will cure any case above mentioned. Dr. E. W. Hall, sole manufacturer, St Louis, Mo., formerly of Texas P. O. Box 629. Office 2931 Olive street. Sold by druggists and Smith Bros., & Co.

Sherman, Texas, Oct. 16, 1902.

Dr. E. W. Hall. St. Louis. Dear Sir: I am 72 years old and I have suffered greatly at times for fifty-four years with kidney and bladder troubles and I have used many so-called cures with but little benefit. One bottle of your Texas Wonder, Hall's Great Discovery, has cured me, and I can cheerfully reccommend it to the public.

Yours truly,
A. JONES.

Mr. Clint Stiff and Misses Jessie and Sallie Stiff of McKinney are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Glen Stiff this week—Pilot Point Post-Signal.

Claud Hunter, manager of the Nickle Store here, returned Tuesday from Sherman and McKinney, where he had been the past two weeks.—Bonham News.

Mr. and Mrs. Price Stiff, who have been visiting the latter's mother at Sedalia Mo., returned home Sunday night.

LOOK OUT

For Colds—La Grippe!

Protect yourself, and don't trust to Providence. Considering the harm done, "neglect" before and after taking a cold is a physical crime. You may prevent a cold, or, if too late, you can insure yourself against the "after effects," for there is the greatest danger, by using Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic. Few die from Colds, or La Grippe, or Catarrh. They die of the after effects. These diseases all weaken, and to a weakened body come flocking a host of diseases that fasten on weak lungs, heart, stomach, kidneys, and other weak parts that we seldom think of.

The easiest and best thing to do is to fortify the system so that you will not catch cold, but if too late to do that, then you must see that no lasting injury is done. Medical authorities all agree that iron is the fighting element of the blood enabling the system not only to ward off disease, but to fight it after it has obtained a foothold.

DR. HARTER'S

Dr. HARTER'S IRON TONIC

is just the remedy needed, as it supplies the blood directly with the iron it requires to combat Colds or La Grippe. Take it before, during, or after. If taken in time, it will prevent; if taken during, it will shorten the course; if taken after, it will prevent all bad after effects.

Women are especially benefited by Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic, as they seem to suffer from the weakness of Colds and La Grippe longer than men, and they are particularly susceptible to the action of a blood builder such as this is.

FOR SALE EVERYWHERE.

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Dyspepsia Cure

Digests what you eat.

This preparation contains all of the digestants and digests all kinds of food. It gives instant relief and never fails to cure. It allows you to eat all the food you want. The most sensitive stomachs can take it. By its use many thousands of dyspeptics have been cured after everything else failed. Unequalled for the stomach. Children with weak stomachs thrive on it. First dose relieves. A uiet unnecessary

Cures all stomach troubles

Prepared only by E. C. DeWITT & Co., Chicago
The $1. bottle contains 2½ times the 50c size

Sold by City Drug Store.

Will Hunter is visiting in McKinney since Tuesday.—Bonham News.

Miss Lizzie Gullett, one of the teachers in the Allen school, spent Sunday here.

Miss Emma Yeager has returned from a visit to relatives at Lebanon.

Dr. B. E. Throckmorton has returned from El Paso where he attended the big carnival.

Thanks to G. J. Barlow for a renewal of his subscription to The Democrat.

A. Heath favored us with a renewal of subscription to The Democrat.

Miss Fannie Bell Smith has returned from McKinney where she has been visiting.—Pilot Point Post-Signal.

Mrs. Wesley Neathery, of Farmersville, is in the city visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Gerrish.

Miss Laura Wallace returned last Sunday from Van Alstyne where she had been visiting her sister, Mrs. H. J. Slaughter.

Mrs. J. A. Caldwell and son Roy have returned from Clarendon Ark., where they spent a month visiting her sister.

Our fellow-townsman J. L. White is en program for "short talk" at the annual meeting of the Fifth District Bankers' Association which meets in Dallas Jan. 22.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. D. Williams, of Rhea Mills who had been visiting their daughter Mrs. Duncan Holder east of McKinney spent Sunday night in the city with their daughter Mrs. Will Caskey.

At the Farmers Institute at Bryan the business men and even the students of the Allen Academy attended. Why cannot such an interest be manifested here in farmers meetings? Upon the products of the soil depend the life of commerce. Why not give scientific farming a thought.

From a private letter from J. Dud Cottrell, one of Collin's representatives at Austin, we learn that his first resolution passed the house. We notice that on the resolution offered by Representative Mulkey to allow each member three dollars per month to pay for daily newspapers that Mr Grisham voted for the bill and Mr. Cottrell voted against it. The resolution passed.

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Are located in the small of the back and may appear on one or both sides. These are dangerous symptoms because they indicate the early appearance of Bright's Disease.

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THROUGHOUT OUR ENTIRE STOCK

We find after taking stock that we have over $60,000 worth of goods yet on hand, which is $20,000 more than we want to carry. Hence we offer you an opportunity to buy First Class Goods at the price of the other kind. This sale will run until February 15th.

Read the Prices, Come See the Goods and the Trade Is Made.

Clothing.

44 pairs boys knee pants, sizes 6 to 14 assorted colors, former price 25c, sale price only 15c pair.

104 pairs boys knee pants, size 6 to 16, 50 and 75c grade assorted pattern to close at 25c pair.

Boys long pants sizes 26 to 30 regular 1 25 grade sale price 95c.

Men's all wool filling cassimere pants 1 25 kind sale price 95c.

Heavy flannel lined brown and black duck coats with slicker interlining, former price 1 50 sale price 99c.

18 flannel lined brown and black duck coats former price 1 00 and 1 25 now 75c.

Lot 1—10 fine overcoats sizes 34 to 38 former price 15 to 22 50 choice this month 7 50.

Lot 2—11 nice dress overcoats medium weight regular price 7 50 to 12 50 sale price 4 95.

Our entire stock men's and boys overcoats at 10 per cent less than cost. We do not want to carry any of these over.

All men's and boys suits will go in this sale at actual cost until Feb. 15.

We place in this sale one hundred "Gold" shirts, worth 1 00 and 1 75 at choice 1 00.

120 silver shirts worth 1 00 all over the world this sale 75c.

Big line wool overshirts to close at cost.

Shoes.

Your attention first to our job counter in front of our clothing department where you will find samples of 100 pairs of men's and boys shoes, worth from 1 50 to 2 50, choice for 50c.

Extra quality men's work shoes for only 1 15.

Gent's fine custom made shoes 3 50 grade sale price 2 70.

Elegant line men's 2 00 shoes assorted styles, choice at 1 50.

Big drive in children school shoes at 65c.

Children's extra good 1 25 school shoes at 90c.

One lot blue ribbon button and lace school shoes sizes 12 to 2, 2 50 grade this sale 1 00.

Biggest drive of all one hundred pairs child's oil and pebble grain button shoes former price 50, 75c and 1 00, sizes 5 to 8, take 'em at 25c pair.

11 pairs misses patent leather cloth top shoes sizes 11 to 2, value 2 50 sale price only 1 50.

62 pair ladies fine Dongola and vici kid shoes, sizes 2 to 3½ only assorted styles, former prices 2 00 to 3 50 in this sale at 1 00 and 1 50.

Ladies good solid every day shoe worth 1 50 only 1 15.

Hats.

Job—14 dozen men's black and brown hats assorted shapes and styles, former price was 1 50 to 2 00, sale price 90c.

Three dozen men's hats 2 50 and 3 00 goods, while they last at 1 50.

Big lot boy's hats worth 40 to 75c to close at 25c.

All styles and colors of genuine John B Stetson hats at cost.

Job lot gent s neckties were 50c sale price only 25c.

Ladies' Ready-To-Wear Goods.

14 ladies sateen waists, assorted patterns, worth 75c to 1 25 price to close only 25c.

40 flannel and flannelette waists former price 1 00 sale price 50c.

50 percal waists, nice clean goods, former price 1.00 sale 25c, all flannelett gowns, all skirts and wrappers, and all capes and jackets at cost and some for a good deal less than cost. See our line of curtains and drapery goods, the prices will please you and the styles are correct.

Hoisery and Underwear

25 doz Misses and children's black cat hose 25 and 40c grade—all at 15c pair. They are extra heavy ribbed.

Ladies' ribbed fleeced lined vests, 20c grade, 15c, or 2 for 25c

Men's cotton undershirts only 15c each.

Canton flannel drawers, elastic seams, only 40c pair.

Special prices throughout our entire stock of gents' and ladies' furnishing goods.

Dress Goods and Staple Dry Goods

All wool filled dress goods, 10c kind, only 5c yard.

About 25 novelty dress patterns in this sale at just half-price. Be sure to look at these.

36 in wool plaids, former price 35c yard, sale price 15c.

We have the largest stock of dress goods in the city, and the prices are lower than you can buy such goods elsewhere.

10c grade flannelett at 8 1-3.

7 1-2c grade dark color outing only 5c yd.

3 ply knitting cotton only 15c lb.

10 balls boss ball sewing thread for 5c.

Nice quality apron check ginghams 5c yd.

Bleach table linen 35c grade, sale price 22c.

Big stock table linens and napkins—all at reduced prices.

We wish to emphasize two facts. First—"this sale reaches every article in our big store." 2nd—"Reducing the price does not reduce the quality of our goods." Our buyer, Mr. Everett, will leave for the market about the 25th of this month and these goods must move out of the way of spring stuff if low prices will move them. Mr. Perry will be in the house all the time Mr. Everett is gone and see to it that you have prompt and courteous treatment. Thanking you for your very liberal patronage in the past and promising better service in the future if possible, we are,

VERY TRULY YOURS.

White Dry Goods Company.

T. F. Everett & T. C. Perry, Managers.

LOCAL NEWS.

Louie Kauffman, of Melissa, was in the city Tuesday.

Mrs. J. C. Cooke is visiting her sister Mrs. Wolford in Allen.

D. C. Hill has gone on a trip to his ranch near Henrietta.

M. F. Calloway, of Verona, moves his figures up another year.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Taylor have a fine new baby boy at their home.

T. M. Moore and R. H. Parvin are late additions to our weekly list at Melissa.

C. M. Bryan, Chambersville, subscribed to our weekly and the Dallas News at our clubbing rate.

We are pleased to enroll Z. T. Humphries, of Melissa, on The Democrat's subscription list.

I. C. Chipman, a faithful friend at Weston, has our thanks for cash on renewal to The Democrat

Walter Howell, who has been sick for several weeks with fever, is recovering. He is able to be up.

W. R. Hilton, who has been in Leonard and other points for several days on business, has returned home.

Mrs. S. A. Reeves, Chambersville, sends The Democrat to her brother, G. A. Moyers, Bardwell, Kentucky.

Mrs. Jake Barnes, who is teaching music at Terrell, came up last night for a visit to her mother Mrs. Ada Stacy.

E. W. Kelley, Roland, and Frank Glover, Vineland, have recently enabled us to get another square meal by renewing.

J. D. Moore and J, S. Mimms, of Chambersville, replenished our exchequer last week with subscription money. Thanks.

Misses Mary Wilson and Ora Staughan have returned from a visit to Mrs. H. J. Slaughter at Van Alstyne.

E. C. Box, of Climax a good friend of The Democrat, came in to renew his subscription. He has received it for many years.

Byron Bowers went over to Farmersville today on business.

Good goods, low prices and fair dealing at Jim Wiley's. w4t

Miss Jessie Fayes is visiting in Denison today.

County Clerk W. M. Shirley is confined to his room at home with sickness.

Red Seal coffee, best on market. 10 p'k'gs for $1 at Jim Wiley's. w4t

Mrs, R. Arnold went to Ferris this morning for a visit to friends and relatives.

Red Seal! Red Seal! 10 p'k'gs for $1 and guaranteed to give satisfaction, at Jim Wiley's. w4t

Mrs. B. W. Jackson, of Ennis, arrived this morning for a visit to relatives near here.

We want your cash trade, we have the goods and prices. Give us a call—Jim Wiley. w4t

Miss Clara Dalton, of Princeton, is visiting Misses Lizzie and Lula Burton.

Red Seal brand package coffee, 10 p'k'gs full weight for $1 at Jim Wiley's. w4t

If you have any business in the real estate line, see Doggett & Clifton as they do a general real estate business. d-w tf

T. J. Mott, of Millwood, was in the city Monday. He said his little son Ben had rebroken his arm.

Dr. T. G. Boorman, of Culleoka, was in town Monday. He remained over and attended the meeting of Lyndia Encampment.

Mrs. W. H. Chandler, of Dallas who has been visiting at the home of her brother-in-law Rev. R. E. Chandler, returned home Tuesday morning.

Mrs. J. W. Douglas, and daughter, Georgia, have returned from a three months visit to her son, John D. Douglas, and wife, at Ennis Texas.

Mrs. M. V. Eubanks, of Kansas City, and Miss Lula Stearns, of Ft. Worth, arrived last night for a visit to the former's daughter, Mrs. R. E. Bristol.

If you have real estate to sell see Doggett and Clifton. d-w tf

Giles McKinney went to Denison this morning.

H. S. Thomas, of Denison is in the city on business today.

Mrs. J. Frank Crozier and children left last evening for a visit to relatives in Gainesville.

When you want a cash bill of groceries get our prices. Give 10 p'k'gs best coffee for $1 with bill—Jim Wiley. w4t

Give us your cash business during 1903 and save money. Good goods and low prices.—Jim Wiley. w4t

Look out for our ad on field and garden seed, seed corn etc. Will have biggest stock ever brought to McKinney.—Jim Wiley. w4t

Our young friend, W. M. Snider, called to renew his subscription to The Democrat. He has recently moved from Rhea's Mill to the Stovall farm, two miles west of McKinney.

Manager George Holmes, of the Grayson County Telephone Company, went to McKinney this morning to further the interests of his company. A franchise has been asked for from that city and will come up before the city council tonight.—Denison Herald.

Lou Moore, who was with Stephens & Herndon for several years, is opening up a cabinet and repair shop in the building formerly occupied by Watkins' Cafe, on the north side of the square. R. J. Benson, the jeweler, and John G. Davis, the Singer sewing machine agent, will occupy the front end of the building.

The Sherman Rebekah lodge has been invited to visit the Denison lodge next Thursday night, when Mrs. Wiley, of McKinney, grand president of the state, will be here.—Denison Herald.

Suit Filed

A suit was filed this morning in County court by R. Jackson against R. L. Green, suit for $225 on note and foreclosure of mortgage lien.

H. E. G. Furr has returned from Celina where he completed the brick work on Bud Ownsby's handsome new residence which will soon be ready for occupancy.

G. W. Flesher, a farmer living south of Van Alstyne, has in his barnyard a calf born last Thursday without a tail. The calf is full of life and bids fair to make a fine cow.

Purchased Grand Leader Stock

A trade was closed last evening in which West Bros., general merchants at Princeton, purchased the remainder of the Grand Leader stock. The goods will be shipped today.

Land Agents

If you want to sell your place, list it with us, and remember we will advertise it for you and it will not cost you a cent, unless a sale is made.

DOGGETT & CLIFTON,
d&wtf Attorneys.

New Orleans and Its Carnival

(FEBRUARY 24TH, 1903)

Rex, Proteus, Comus and Nomus, all magnificent pageants and you can see them all. Rate, one fare for the round trip. Tickets on sale Feb. 17th to 23rd. Final limit Feb. 28th with privilege of extension to March 14th. Through Pullman sleepers from all North Texas points, no change of cars, no transfer. All trains operate in and out of Union Station, in the heart of the city.

Send for literature, and ask agent for rate from your station, or write,

N. L. ROBBINS,
G. P. & T. A.,
Houston, Tex.

T. J. ANDERSON,
A. G. P. & T. A.,
Houston, Tex.

Houston, Texas, Jan. 14th, 1903.

Marriage License

Jesse Smoot and Miss Ellen Crocms.

RETURNED FROM DALLAS

McKinney Party Who Went Down to See the Play

Those from McKinney who attended the play, "The Little Duchess," rendered by Miss Anna Held at the Dallas opera house las night were:

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Everett, Mr and Mrs. J. L. White, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Burnitt, Mr. and Mrs. Harry McDonald, Mrs. W. W. McDowell, Mr. and Mrs. Howell Smith, Miss Margie Lovjoy, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Purcell, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bertrand, Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Emerson and Miss Mary Rhea.

The party returned home this morning.

Unconscious From Croup.

During a sudden and terrible attack of croup our little girl was unconscious from strangulation, says A. L. Spafford, postmaster, Chester, Mich., and a dose of One Minute Cough Cure was administered and repeated often. It reduced the swelling and inflammation, cut the mucus and shortly the child was resting easy and speedily recovered. It cures Coughs, Colds, LaGrippe, and all Throat and Lung troubles. One Minute Cough Cure lingers in the throat and chest and enables the lungs to contribute pure, health-giving oxygen to the blood. For sale by City Drug Store.

Birthday Celebration

S. D. Cannedy, of Roland, celebrated his 74th birthday on the 20th inst. by calling in to renew his subscription to The Democrat of which paper he has been a constant reader since it was first established in 1884. Mr. Cannedy is quite hale and hearty. His three score and ten years do not prevent him from making an active field hand.

Sam Jones Thursday night 75c.
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List of Letters.

Remaining in the postoffice at McKinney, Tex., Jan. 21, 1903 which, if unclaimed in two weeks will be sent to the Dead Letter office at Washington, D. C.

LADIES

Houston Mrs Cindy
Haris Mrs Suzie
Hendrick Miss Lillie
Johnson Mrs W A
Jones Miss Lizzia
Myres Miss Zoura
Odell Miss
Sims Ella
Smith Mrs Florna
Saunders Miss Flaud
Tellers Mrs Addie
Willes Miss Sue

GENTLEMEN

Bell Brodie
Bell Bready
Broyles Sherman
Clemons Jim
Cress James
Griffin Grain Co
Hale John
Hawkins Dr
Higgins M L
Hollomon R E
Moore Jess
McKinney W M
Rolf S C
Robeson John
Ragall Done
Saunes Wm
Smitch John
Witherspoon Adalpus

Persons calling for letters in above list please say "Advertised."

H. E. SMITH,
Postmaster.

Jno. P. Moore, who has been a McKinney, Texas, arrived in Bunceton this week for a short visit. He will leave soon for Pryor Creek, a thriving town in the Cherokee Nation. Mr. Moore says that the town is within thirty five miles of a spot once picked out by him as an ideal place of residence. That was forty years ago when he was a soldier wearing the gray.—Bunceton (Mo.) Eagle.

JENKINS & McCLELLAN
Attorneys-at-Law,
Real-Estate Agents.
McKinney. Texas

Collin County Gleanings.

Items From Adjacent Towns, Villages and Communities of a General Interest.

ARDATH

Ardath, Jan. 15.—Miss Zora Thompson is visiting Miss Willet Wilson at Princeton this week.

W L Page, J A Carson J A Massie, W T Dunn, J T Ray, J T Mantooth and E G Dunn of Altoga and Dr Carson of Valdasta attended the W O W at this place Thursday night.

After installation of officers we were invited down to a nice supper that the ladies had prepared.

Messrs Abbott and Derrick and Misses Ruthy and Maggie Akins, of Culleoka, visited their cousins Misses Virgie and Connie Akins Sunday.

Mr and Mrs J A Caldwell and daughter Erma visited Mr and Mrs Cal Williams last week.

Singing at Jim Bomar's Sunday night was well attended and enjoyed by all present.

On the first Sunday in February the W O W of this place will unveil a monument to the memory of their deceased brother Fayette Barnett.

Tickey.

CLIMAX

Climax, Jan. 15.—Mr Cashon and family have moved to the Midway community and James Bray has moved to the place they occupied here.

Rev Lashlie, of McKinney, preached here Sunday at the Christian church and Rev Hollums, Baptist, preached at the school house.

E C Forbes and Irvin Griffin transacted business in McKinney last Saturday.

"Grandma" Caldwell is still quite sick.

Messrs McCarley and Weatherby have moved to the farms formerly occupied by Messrs Wages and Winn.

Miss Lillie Clack spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives in the Liberty neighborhood.

The Odd Fellows are expecting a good time Wednesday night the 14th inst, the attraction being a visit from Past Grand Master Gibson, of Waxahachie, the editor of Texas Odd Fellow.

Rev Edwards, the new Methodist minister in charge of the Princeton circuit, will preach here next Sunday.

Mrs Harrington was buried here last week. He lived in the Viney Grove neighborhood.

We regret to learn that our old friend Luke Recer of the Johnson community is quite sick.

Hazel Eyes.

VERONA

Verona, Jan 15.—Ealdie Carey made a flying trip to Paris last Friday.

An infant of Charles Carson died Saturday and was buried at Snow Hill Sunday.

Rev S W Miller our new pastor preached his first sermon at the M E church Sunday afternoon. He left an appointment for each second Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Dock Miller and Lewis Woodall of Farmersville have moved back to Verona.

W O Carey and family will leave Tuesday for Holdenville I T to make their future home. Mr Carey has been a resident of our community for several years and we regret very much to lose them but wish them success and prosperity.

Cornelius Williamson and family left last week for Henderson county to make their home.

Mr and Mrs Will Robinson visited Mrs Ada Womble last week.

Mrs McMurray who has been visiting her son at this place has returned to McKinney.

Miss Mae McDowell of Johnson community visited Miss Jennie Hart last week.

Mr Cashion and family of Climax have moved to Verona.

Eva.

CLIFFT

Clifft, Jan. 15.—Charles Grissom made a business trip to McKinney last week.

Marion Tollett and R L Brown of Lavon were in our community yesterday.

Rev M C Bride filled his regular appointment here Sunday for the first time in a great while. There was a class meeting at 3 p. m and Mrs Philip Foote preached at night.

Several from other communities attended church here Sunday.

Cotton pickers are in demand here at $1 per 100.

John B Gordon moved in the house vacated by Will Stewart and mother.

Rev Brundridge a Missionary Baptist will preach here next Sunday at 11 a m.

Our commissioner can do us a great favor by having some needed work done in Bear creek bottom and other places.

Monroe Boren moved down near Locus Grove Saturday.

About 8 car loads of house-hold goods have been shipped out of Lavon in the last two weeks. This seems to be a favorite way of moving this year.

CELINA

Celina, Jan. 15.—Our farmers are quite busy since the rains ceased.

The Celina band gave an open air concert Monday evening which was very much enjoyed by quite a number of ladies and gentlemen.

The post-office was moved last week from a wooden structure to a brick building, now occupied by James M Drake, second door east of the bank.

Mr Prior, our editor, returned from Georgia today. He reported a good time with the "old folks at home."

W H Butts came down Saturday from Sherman, where he is serving on the jury, to visit home folks.

Messrs Malone and Bateman, two of the trustees of Celina school, visited the school last week.

Mr Crockett, of Prosper, visited friends here last week.

Mrs Short and children left today to join Mr Short at Childress where they will make their future home.

Prof Yarbrough paid McKinney a visit Saturday.

There will be a box supper given at Celina school house next Saturday night for the benefit of the school. Everybody who attends, whether married or single, will be expected to bring a box, which will be sold to the highest bidder.

Gus Holliday and family spent Christmas with relatives in Grayson county.

Miss Minnie Newman went to Prosper Friday and came back Sunday.

Mrs Albert Tidwell visited friends and relatives in McKinney last week.

Mr Beck is expecting his son home from California this week. He has served Uncle Sam 3 years in the army.

Rev Crowder went to Whitewright Friday and came back Monday.

Browder.

BIGGERS

Biggers, Jan. 19.—Our community is all quiet and peaceable, still muddy and wet, yet hope for finer weather in the near future.

Dr. Bridgefarmer and party have returned from their trip to their old Kentucky house, bringing with them some of their friends who, we hear, are intending to become citizens of Collin county.

Messrs J. Galzon and H. Rutledge of the Indian Territory were here this week visiting their many friends.

The most remarkable event here, is the appearance of a fine baby boy at the residence of W G Monroe.

A great problem with the farmers at present, is how to get rid of the cotton stalks, the most readily. Here is an opening for the inventive genius home.

From present appearances Spring work and seeding will be backward and farmers are beginning to wear serious countenances over the prospect.

M'DONALD

The school at this place, conducted by Prof Borum is getting along nicely. The attendance is very small.

Mrs Sloan Rogers' mother, Mrs Skinner, has returned home to Throckmorton county, going by the way of Pilot Point and Gainesville.

The young people were entertained at Joe Dutton's last week with a birthday dinner, given in honor of their son Henry, and a social that night. The latter has gone to Shreveport to make his home.

Mrs Loveday is in very bad health. She took a bad spell Sunday but is a little better at this writing.

Mrs Querry and family arrived in their new home last week. They are well pleased.

Austin Querry left on Tuesday but didn't get there until Friday. The cows and horses got together and he went in to separate them, when he got hurt, but not seriously.

Aunt Betsy

FONCINE

Foncine, Jan. 19.—The farmers are about done picking cotton and ready to prepare their land for another crop.

Our farmers are not scared about the green wheat bug as none have made their appearance yet, and wheat looks promising.

Our young people had the pleasure of attending a party at Mr Yeargans last week, and all present had a nice time.

We are afraid the Possums of Rowlet creek will soon be caught, if all hunting parties are as successful as those who went out one night last week. as they report a large catch.

Mrs. Edd Herndon, of McKinney was visiting relatives here last week.

Jim Parker and family were visiting at Mrs. Chandler's last Sunday.

Miss Provence spent last Sunday in McKinney with her parents.

Surveyors were at work last week surveying out the Herndon estate.

Julia Herndon who lived near McKinney has moved to our neighborhood.

Mr. Owens and family were visiting near Plano last week.

Tom Boles and family were visiting south of McKinney last week.

Charley Anderson and Alvin Lester of Prosper were in our neighborhood last Sunday.

Clarence Golden of Weston was visiting acquaintances here last week.

Mr Jordan and his daughter Mrs Hodges of Kentucky are visiting Mr Bewley.

Mrs Jesse Atkinson of McKinney visited her mother Mrs Chandler last week.

Jim Taylor of McKinney was in Foncine last week.

Miss Maud Provence of McKinney visited our school last week were her sister Miss Pearl is teaching.

Several of our young people attended the dance at Sam Brachines last week, and report a nice time.

Frisco

CHAMBLISS

Chambliss, Jan. 20.—People of this community are still trying to gather what cotton they have in the fields.

Since our last letter there have been three burials in the Stony Point cemetery.

First, Mr Mac Barker, Saturday Jan 10th; Second, Mrs John William Combest, Monday Jan 12th; Third, Mrs Jesse Langston, Sunday Jan 18th.

Mrs Hester Williamson, of Paul's Valley Indian Territory, is visiting her sister Mrs Berta Davis.

H K Hartley and family, who spent the holidays in Kentucky, returned home yesterday.

Several persons of Valdasta village attended church here Sunday.

We were glad to hear from 'On the Wing' the other day.

Little Absy

VERONA

Verona, Jan. 20.—Mrs Hogue, of Farmersville, is in our community visiting.

Rev Byars, of Gunter, visited with the family of M N Stroup one night last week.

Will Stewart has returned from the Indian Territory.

Miss Mollie Womble celebrated her birthday the 14th inst. by giving the young people a sociable. Refreshments of cake and oranges were served and all present had a most enjoyable time.

A C Stroup and family spent Sunday with the family of W Whitson at Altoga.

Mr and Mrs Charles King and babe visited the family of D King Sunday.

N H Carson and sister, Dan and Frank Dunn, Walter Lacy and Dave Watkins, of Altoga, were in Verona Thursday evening.

James Herrell and family have moved into the house vacated by C E Massie and wife.

Henry Smith, of Tennessee, has been visiting the family of J F McCormic.

Harve Calloway is here from Lamar county.

Eva

CHAMBERSVILLE

Chambersville, Jan. 20.—Charley Giles has pneumonia. He was stricken with paralysis two years ago, while he was attending the Normal at McKinney. He afterwards had typhoid fever. He had partially recovered from both. We are sorry of his continued bad luck.

"On the Wing" visited our neighborhood lately. He secured several new readers to "The Democrat." He seems to understand his work well. He stayed with Mr Reeves while here.

Bryan & Vernon sold something near 100 bales of cotton this week The most of it brought 7.80, some few bales brought 8.50 and some 8.00. They sold at your town.

Messrs Charley and Sam Bryan are the hog buyers of our burg.

Milton Chambers went out near Celina Saturday.

There seems to be an attraction in that direction. We suppose that it is a desire to go west and grow up with the country.

Farming is progressing slowly now. The cotton remnant is making some extra expense money now.

Our school is running along well now. Our enrollment has reached 51. The daily attendance for the past week was 48.

Our school library has 32 volumes now. This is very small, but we can see the benefits of a library now and expect to add new books often. We hope for good results from this small start.

Uncle Jacob Bryan went to Celina last week to attend a meeting of the stockholders of the Celina bank.

We do not think the wheat crop is now being bothered by green bugs. The prospects are fair for a good crop.

Mr Adams, of Celina, was visiting at Mr Chandler's Sunday.

Fox Lox.

FOOT

Foot, Jan. 20th—Little Willie Hand is on the sick list.

Mr. Watkins is on the sick list.

Tom Robinson went to Sanger last week to see his brother Will who was married last Sunday.

The singing at Will Allen's Sunday night was enjoyed by all present.

Arthur Stacy of McKinney was in our midst Sunday.

Rev G M Hall preached to a good congregation Sunday.

John Wright has returned from Kentucky where he went to see his wife who is no better.

J. A. Stuart and wife of McKinney have moved in our community to make their future home.

"On the Wing" I would like for you to practice what you preach in regard to the correspondents writing oftener. That is what I think they should do myself so let us all try and see which one will write the most regularly.

Central.

CLIFFT

Clifft, Jan. 20th.—Rev Jas Brundridge an ex-member of the Arkansas legislature and a brother of Congressman Brundridge of Arkansas filled his appointment here Sunday.

J M Leeps and family of Lavon visited Mr Lovell's family yesterday.

Jas Pool an employe of the Cotton Belt Ry Co died very suddenly at the boarding car near Lavon one day last week with asthma.

W H Geren moved to Lavon Thursday.

Mr Turner moved some of his things into the house vacated by Monroe Boren last week.

R L Brown received a car of corn recently but as all the farmers were out it did not go very far but he says he will have some more in soon.

"Jenks" Brundridge and Miss Ollie Moore were united in the holy bonds of matrimony at the home of the brides parents Sunday.

BLUE RIDGE

Blue Ridge, Jan, 20th.—Mrs. Airhart visited relatives and friends at Weston last week.

Charley Calloway moved from Farmersville to Blue Ridge last week.

Otis Hart and family. Mr Holt and wife moved to Dallas last Thursday. Dr Houser of Josephine moved into the house vacated by them the same day.

Geo Calloway and J C Connor were in Dallas one day last week on business.

Rev G B Airhart was called to Stony Point Sunday to preach a funeral.

Ed St Clair of Verona was in Blue Ridge Saturday.

Mrs Grounds and Miss Sammie Havens visited the formers sister at Valdasta the Second Sunday.

Will Willbanks and wife of Alabama Dr Willbank's family and Bunion Willbanks of Bells, also Kary Willbanks of Farmersville visited their father's home last Sunday.

Ebert Mitchell and wife of Celina are in Blue Ridge.

Death has again visited our little town. Sunday morning at 3 o'clock Little May Sellars passed away. She was about twelve years of age. May was a bright little girl with a merry and cheerful disposition, she was loved by all her schoolmates. It will be remembered that her mother died a short time ago with the same disease.

Mrs Julia Guest has returned from an extended visit at her sister's in Southern Texas.

John Pounds and wife returned last week from Alabama where they visited during the holidays.

Doc Sparkman of Moreland was in Blue Ridge Sunday.

Mrs. McCormick is visiting in Bells this week.

May Lee.

GRAYBILL

Graybill, Jan. 21.—Bad weather continues, but farmers are getting a rest.

Miss Ollie Doyle and her class of Westminster entertained the Graybill people Friday night in the way of some real nice recitations. Miss Doyle is an elecution teacher of unquestioned ability.

W R Hood spent Sunday with "Uncle" Turpin Kelley.

Post-master Holcomb's little babe continues to grow worse. The little one has suffered for nearly three months—but God does everything well.

The M E Quarterly Conference was in session Saturday at Sedalia.

Stewarts W Cowling and Scuyler Giles were in attendance from Graybill.

Mrs Mattie Hood will return from Denison Wednesday.

Floyd Caylor has returned from Gray, Tex.

M C Caylor is on the sick list.

E Robertson and family spent Saturday and Sunday in the Sedalia country.

Mrs Josie Fair spent Sunday with Mrs Lee Northcott.

Griff Trotter is able to be up.

Ed Simpson has sold his farm to Paul Binion, consideration $45 per acre.

E W Morse will move to Denton Texas soon.

Bob Smith is convalescing.

Isaac Tolbert has purchased a house from Will Lee and will move into the same.

Profs Southerland and Kelley still have cotton to pick, not because these gentlemen are lazy, but they raise lots of it. They pay $1 per hundred for picking.

Lawrence Kelley and lady, of Sedalia, spent Sunday with Mr Kelley's father and mother of this place.

If McKinney would follow the suggestions of The Democrat it would soon push itself to the front. It's able to do it, The Democrat and Collin want it to, and why don't it? Why don't she say we want the University and we are going to have it. There is not a wealthier town in Texas to its size. McKinney needs some things and needs them badly.

F. W. J.

LEBANON

Lebanon, Jan. 21.—Miss Myrtle Kerley has returned from an extended visit to her relatives in Tennessee.

Rev. Faulkner preached at the Christian church Sunday and Sunday night.

Miss Sue Huffman of Plano visited friends and relatives here last week.

Miss Mattie Abbott and John Cook were quietly married at the home of the bride's parents Mr and Mrs Henry Abbott on last Wednesday night by Rev M Wolfe They are both well known here and their many friends wish for them a long and happy life.

Miss Emma Yeager of McKinney visited friends here last week.

Miss Clara Mallow who teaches the Pleasant Ridge school visited home folks Saturday and Sunday.

Rev. Edd Bowman will preach at the M E church Sunday.

Lilac.

CELINA

Celina, Jan. 21.—The farmers have been quite busy plowing for the past week.

A W Kirkpatrick moved his stock of goods into one of the new bricks south of the bank.

A C Childress & Co have moved their stock of goods to one of the new bricks just finished.

Riddle Bros put in a fine stock of groceries here last week.

Bob Powers is building a house for a meat market just east of Yates & Co's store.

Parker & Brigham have opened up a restaurant in the building vacated by Weems & Son.

Mrs J C Newman is visiting home folks in Tarrant county.

Rev Crowder preached at Union church Sunday.

The box supper Saturday night was a success notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather.

Mr Greenlee went to Gunter Wednesday on business.

John Eller attended court at Weston Saturday.

Ben O'Brien is building a dwelling in the north part of town which will be occupied by Mr Jackson.

Born to Mr and Mrs F M Hancock a boy.

Dr Bates of St Louis was prospecting here this week.

Arthur Massie of McKinney was here on business this week.

Captain Rhea of Rhea Mill was here on business Thursday.

Mr Burge of Sherman was buying cotton here last week.

Sam Bateman and Miss Ethel Cunningham were married at the residence of Dr Hubbard Wednesday, Rev Darnell performed the ceremony.

Mr Durham went to Celina Thursday.

Mr Kelsey bought Dr Mitchell's lots in old Celina and will erect a nice dwelling on same in the near future.

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COVENANT MEETING HELD

The Annual Occasion At Nevada Baptist Church

WAS A SPLENDID SERVICE

Excellent Reports Were Made By the Different Officers of the Church

The Annual Covenant Meeting and roll call at Nevada Baptist church was held Sunday morning, January 11th.

The pastor, Rev. John A. Held, preached from the text, "As we have therefore opportunity let us do good unto all men, especially to the household of faith." (Gal. 6:10). His subject was "Opportunities."

After the sermon the clerk, Mr J. O. Taylor, called the roll of members and many answered by repeating a passage of Scripture. In spite of the inclement weather there were quite a number present.

After the roll call the members joined hands, forming a circle. The pastor then read the covenant and all gave hearty assent, at the close of the reading, by saying "Amen!" It was a very enjoyable service.

At the night service there was made manifest the progress of the past eighteen months.

Mr. Box spoke on the Sunday school, the superintendent and teachers. In a brief, but very tender and well chosen talk, he said Bro. J. O. Taylor was the best superintendent this Sunday school ever had. No one could doubt that Bro. Taylor was working unselfishly, because he had no children of his own to work for. It was the love which he had for the children of the community and the consciousness that God's name would be glorified, which caused him to be so earnest, prompt and constant. The teachers, could not, as a body, be surpassed anywhere for faithfulness and constancy. With such a body of workers, this school could but grow and prosper, as it has, and undoubtedly will, even more in the future.

Mr. J. O. Taylor spoke on our pastor, his work, past and present He said that since our pastor has come into our midst we have been constantly growing and going forward. In Bible study and knowledge we have advanced as never before. In unity and harmony we have made marked progress, and our spirituality is evident to all who come to our services. It may not be known to many, and it may be because of my relation to our pastor, as an officer of the church, but I want to say that he is doing an immense amount of work, constantly studying and preparing to give the church the very best possible. I trust everybody will give him a hearty cooperation, pray for him and hold up his hands.

Mr. Joe Vermilh, the president, spoke on the B. Y. P. U. Its growth and spirituality. He said that the union had its struggles in the past. Sometimes it seemed that we would go under in spite of every effort on the part of the faithful few. But in the last year or so, there has come a turn Our union is one of the best in the county and our spirituality is the most marked evidence of our growth. Until recently Mr. J. F Smith has been the president.

Mr. Marcellus Watkins spoke next on the future of the B. Y. P. U. He said the older people ought to take more interest in the young people. If they did, it would encourage the young people to do better and to take more interest in religious work. If the young people will get this encouragement the future of the B. Y. P. U. is assuredly a bright one

Miss Mattie Box, the president, spoke briefly on the junior B, Y. P. U., its works and its future. She said that the junior union has been organized only two weeks, but is starting off very encouragingly, and a bright future was before them. She asked the prayers of the Christians that she may properly direct the little folks for larger usefulness.

Then followed reports of the officers and committees—all of which were encouraging.

The financial plan which the church has adopted was commended and the members were urged to give the matter of making their subscriptions and receiving a calendar through which to contribute, earnest and immediate attention, though a majority had already done so.

Rev. M. F. Wheeler, the county missionary made a very earnest and impressive address. He spoke with much fervor, and many were the hearts that keenly felt the truth of his words. He will not soon be forgotten.

The Nevada Baptist church was organized Aug. 10, 1890 with 35 members and Rev. M. M. Wolfe as pastor. During the twelve and a half years past, the church has had many struggles and triumphs. Sometimes its members became very much discouraged, but the usual faithful few stood by the cause, and the Lord of Heaven has rewarded them for their faithfulness. Indeed the members ought to be thankful for the church's prosperity.

Total Cotton Receipts.

The total cotton receipts for the season at the wharf up to date have been 13,600 bales; at the American Round Bale plant 2631 which equals 1315 square bales; at the Planters Compress Co's. round bale plant, 3200, or 1600 square bales, making the total cotton receipts for McKinney so far this season 16,515 bales.

The receipts at the two round bale gins are just about half what they were last season, and the receipts at the wharf are about nine thousand bales less than they were at this time last year.

This has been the shortest cotton crop in Collin county that was ever known.

All cotton has been sold as fast as gathered.

Miss Day, who sang both nights at Dr. Clagett's illustrated lectures, is the vocal teacher in Landon's Conservatory of Music in Dallas.

An Instructive Lecture.

As a result of the intense interest felt in securing the location of the great Presbyterian University, the opera house Wednesday was filled to its utmost capacity with people to hear Dr. Clagett in his first lecture on Texas and witness the stereopticon views, showing the unlimited resources of this great state.

In explanation of why he was using the stereoscope as an aid to his lectures, he said it was on account of the incredibility of the Northern people, in believing the statements made about Texas when he attempted to set forth her many advantages.

W. T. Beverly introduced the speaker, who in a pleasing and interesting way spoke of the University, its plans and purposes.

The views shown consisted of the rapid development of Texas, made in every line, since the day of the Indians to the present.

He also showed the plan of the proposed University buildings, which surpassed the most sanguine expectations.

Although the audience was a typical Texas one, composed largely of those native born, Dr. Clagett's lecture and illustrations were revelations even to those who have made this subject a study.

It would not be a bad plan for the state to send abroad a number of men like this noted speaker, with his excellent plans, to induce immigration.

As an additional charm to the interesting and edifying program Dr. Clagett is assisted by Miss Day of Dallas, who charmed the audience that night with her rich mellow voice in two beautiful solos.

Lee's Birthday

New Orleans, La., Jan. 15.—There is a movement on foot to have Jan. 19 Gen Robert E Lee's birthday made a holiday over the entire South. The day is observed now, but not so generally or amply as those who love the "lost cause" think it should be. In all likelihood some action will be taken looking toward the accomplishment of the desired end at the coming United Confederate Veteran's reunion, which is to be held here in the spring.

With the cordial support the Sons and Daughters of the Confederacy will give the veterans, it seems to indicate that no trouble will be had in getting a bill through the Legislature of every state in the South providing for the general observance of the natal dry of the beloved chieftain

W. M. Caldwell, of Little Rock Ark., who has been in the city a guest at the home of J. A. Caldwell here, left Saturday for a visit in Denison.

Presbyterian Locating Committee

McKinney gave the members of the locating committee for the Texas Presbyterian University who arrived on the 1:03 northbound H. & T. C. train Thursday a royal reception.

Notwithstanding the slow rain which was falling, the teachers and pupils of the public schools, Jones Academy and McKinney Business College marched to the station and lined up. Several hundred citizens, some in vehicles were there.

Just as the train pulled in all of the whistles in the city began blowing and continued until the cabs left the station.

Three of the four distinguished gentlemen who compose the locating committee came. They are, Rev. J. M. McCoy of Dallas, Dr. R. J. Breckenridge of Austin, and Rev. P. R. Rhea of Forney. They were greeted by Rev. W. H. Clagett and Mayor J. M. Pearson, and were driven to the Wade Hotel where dinner was served.

After a short rest the McKinney locating committe, composed of J. P. Crouch, R. L. Waddill, H. A. Finch, L. A. Scott and Jesse Shain, took Rev. Clagett and the visiting committee incabs and carriages and were shown the different tracts of land that have been offered as a site for the University.

Best of all Enterprises.

Mr. Charles R. Gibson, of Waxahachie, editor of the Texas Odd Fellow, has been visiting the lodges of Collin county for several days.

Tuesday night he was with the Ardath Lodge, Wednesday night at Climax Thursday night he met with Empire Lodge. Friday he went to Melissa.

The lodge here held only a short business session that night and adjourned so that the members could attend Dr. Clagett's second lecture.

Mr. Gibson delivered a short and pithy talk to the order, his closing remarks touching on the question of McKinney's efforts to secure the Presbyterian University. He spoke of his own town, Waxahachie, which secured Trinity University last year by putting up $80,000. He said that it had been worth more to Waxahachie than any other enterprise that it had ever had; that it far surpassed railroads, cotton factories or oil mills in the number and class of citizens that it drew and in the volume of business that it produced. Mr. Gibson's talk was enthusiastically applauded.

Mrs. Walter Erwin and little son, of Fort Worth, arrived last Friday from Madill I. T., where they had been visiting. They will remain here for several days with Mr. Erwin's parents, Rev. and Mrs. T. W. Erwin.

H. H. Stephens returned last Saturday from a several days' trip to Tishomingo, I. T., and other points.

Denev Dutton left Saturd for Shreveport La., where has accepted a position with t Sun Milling Company.

M'KINNEY'S MANY ADVANTAGES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS APPOINTED BY CHAIRMAN OF PRESBYTERIAN UNIVERSITY ORGANIZATION

IDEAL LOCATION FOR UNIVERSITY

Situated Centrally, Equable and Healthful Climate, Density of Population, That Averages High in Intelligence and Wealth. Such an Institution Badly Needed in Our County

By the federal census for 1900, McKinney seems to be the wealthiest city, per capita, in the American Union.

It is the county seat of the richest county agriculturally, in the world. Its situation is on the richest belt of land that can be found in the uplands of the Mississippi valley, and it occupies a central position with reference, not only to the two oceans, but also with reference to the western section of the great valley. And, it has the further distinction, at present, of being near both the geographical center of the area embraced in the states and territories included in Texas and her border divisions, but also near the center of population for the same country.

McKinney has an approximate latitude of 33 degrees 20 minutes, North, and of longitude, 97 degrees 40 minutes, West. It has an altitude of 700 feet. So the climate is equable and healthful.

McKinney sits above the yellow fever line and below the peculiar home of pulmonary hazards. It has a Grecian sky and sun above it, and the average school year permits active out door recreation more than ninety per cent of the time.

McKinney is the center of 10,000 square miles which is unique in the number of comfortable homes it contains. This territory is not characterized by a few very rich men and a great many poor, but by the large number of families in competent circumstances.

The average farm contains about 160 acres. The average family wealth is about $3000 dollars and the agricultural statistics show for this region the most uniform and varied resourcefulness that can be discovered in the state or nation. The population of this section is about 500,000.

Within 100 miles of McKinney reside 1,000,000 people.

Collin county is the choicest portion of this section. It is dotted with splendid country homes. Its average citizenship is very high. It has an assessed valuation of more than $13,000,000 which represents a market value of $45,000,000. It has a population of 50,000 and no city of more than 7,500, which proves a very dense rural population. The average wealth of families in Collin county is about $4,500 and this population is noted for its intelligence and progressiveness in education.

There are 150 public schools in Collin county with an enrollment of about 12,000 scholastics and with 250 teachers. Many of these schools maintain a special tax by voluntary vote. They are all in sympathy with higher education. A large per cent of our teachers are college trained and encourage their pupils to pursue college courses. We send out about 300 students annually to distant colleges and universities, many of which are not superior to that contemplated by the Directors of the Presbyterian University.

McKinney has about 7,500 in the city limits and suburban additions. It has an assessed valuation of $1,868,270 which represents a real property value of more than $3,000,000 in the narrow city limits. This gives an average of about $3,500 to the family. It has a scholastic population of 900 and five ward and suburban schools.

The city enjoys all the ordinary conveniences of a city, electric lights, splendid artesian water and water-works, two national banks and two express offices, an ice plant and steam laundry, free mail delivery and large and modern dry goods and grocery stores, together with all other business establishments required. It has two railways, the H. & T. C. and the M. K. & T. Through the county pass five railroads, four being trunk lines making easy connection with McKinney and leading directly to every part of the country.

The religious element in McKinney is represented by flourishing churches and splendid church homes. The standard of morality and intelligence is high. There is no more orderly and law-abiding community in the state. Public sentiment would give a magnificent support to a first class university, and the control of the student body would be easy. McKinney has been furnishing an annual enrollment of more than 300 students to Hawthorne College for the past three years. The institution contemplated would have a greatly superior equipment and prestige as well as financial support, and would receive a splendid attendance from the county and city.

Were the Presbyterian University established in McKinney, it would be the only college in Collin county and could safely depend upon an initial attendance of from 200 to 300 local students with many more to follow, as the knowledge of the institution and its work hould increase.

There is not in the entire state a site to be found of equal desirability with that of this city, that is so free from possible local competition.

A University, such as the Presbyterian, could secure an attendance from the county alone which would more than equal that of other Universities of the state and this, added to the attendance from a distance, would make the institution a great success from the beginning.

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